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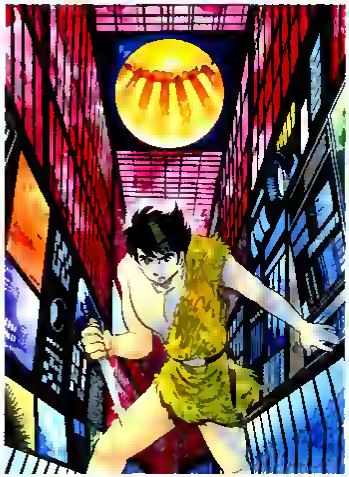

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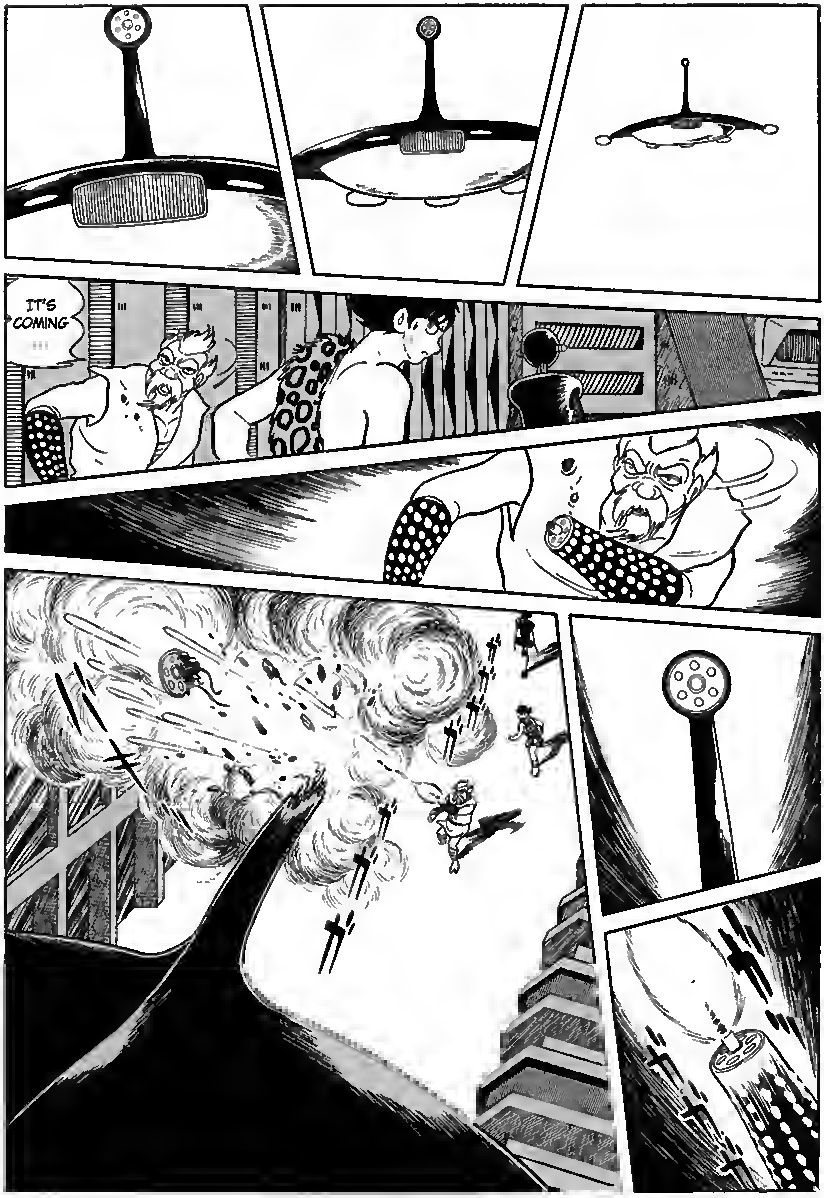
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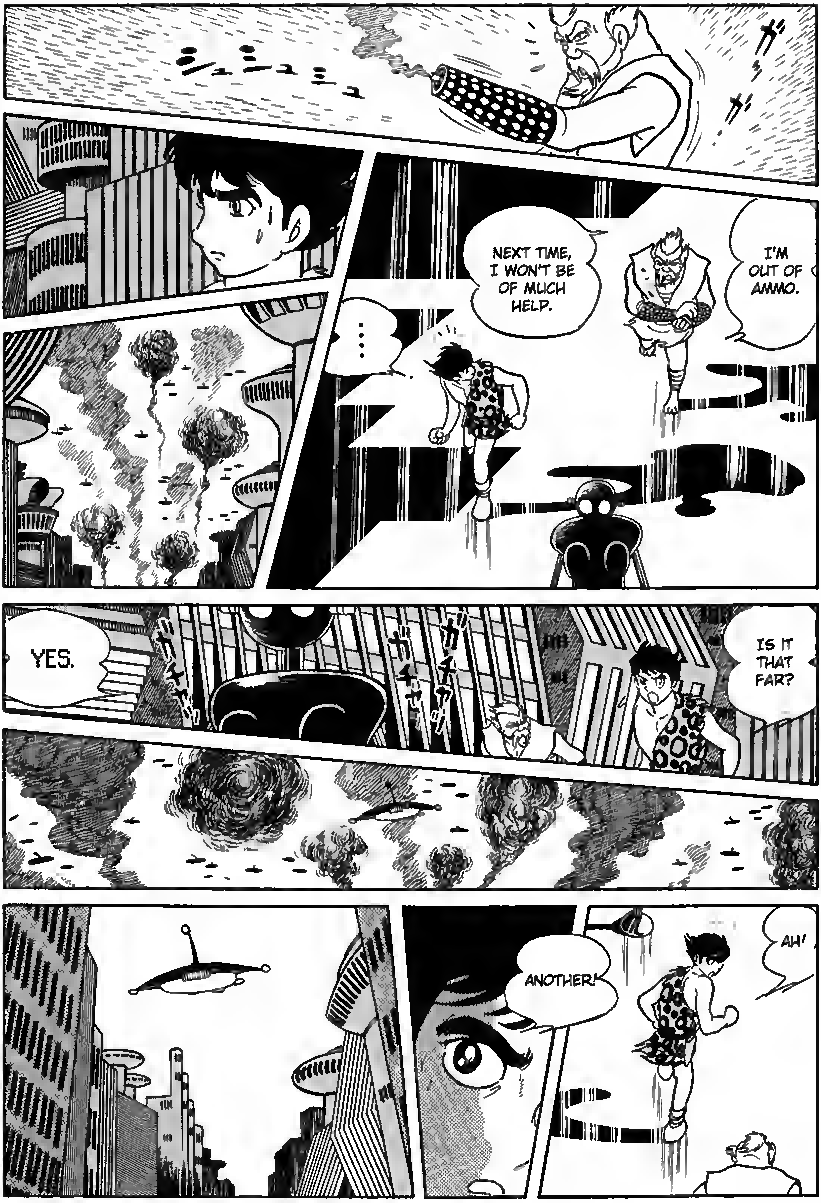
I'M OUT OF AMMO.
NEXT TIME, I WON'T BE OF MUCH HELP.
IS IT THAT FAR?
YES.
AH!
ANOTHER!

ARE WE ALMOST THERE?
YES, SOON!
LET'S FIND SHELTER...
WE'RE IN A PLAZA!
THERE'S NO BUILDINGS!
IS THAT IT?
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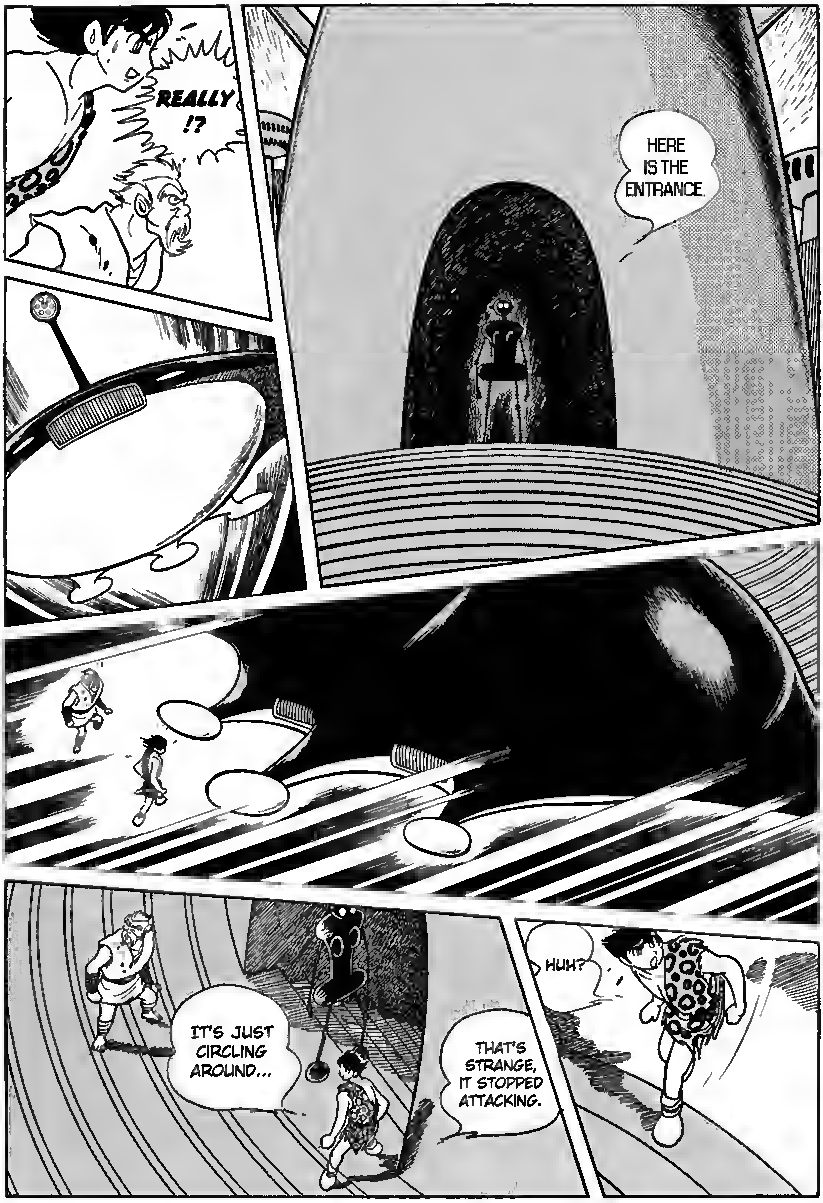
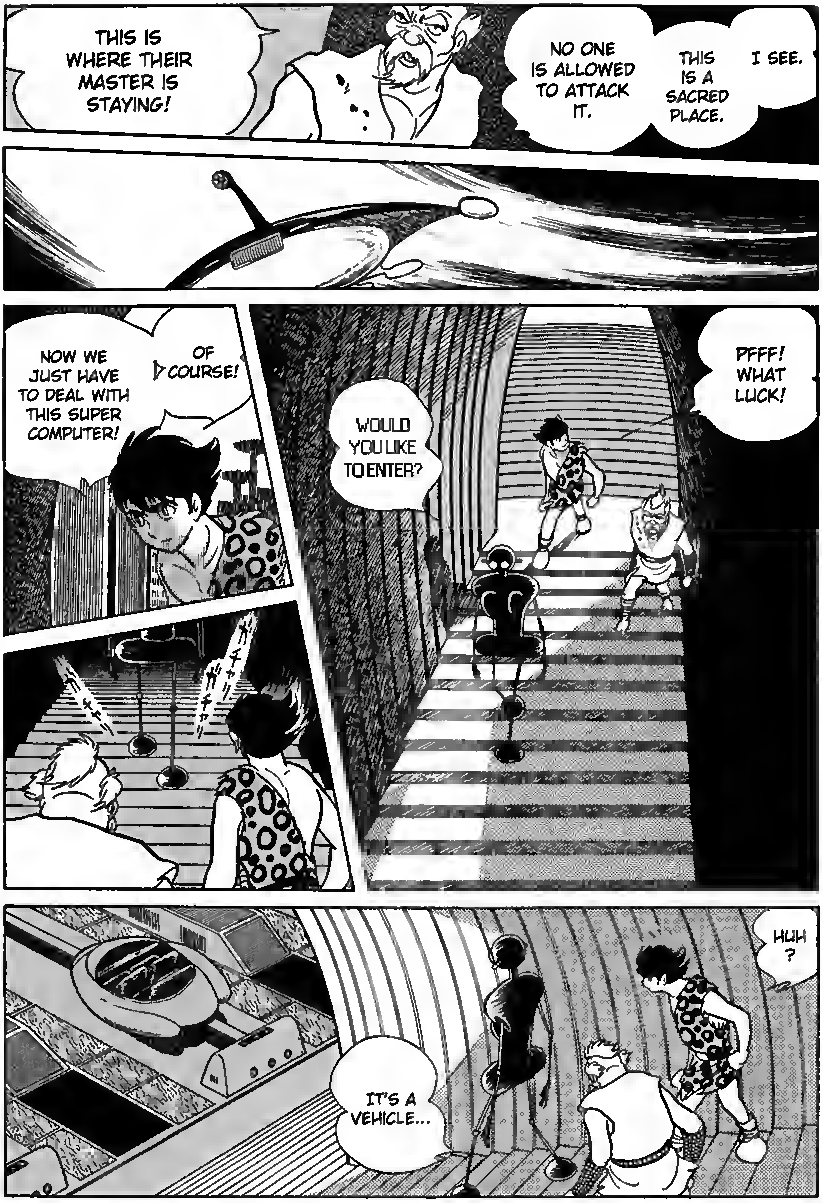
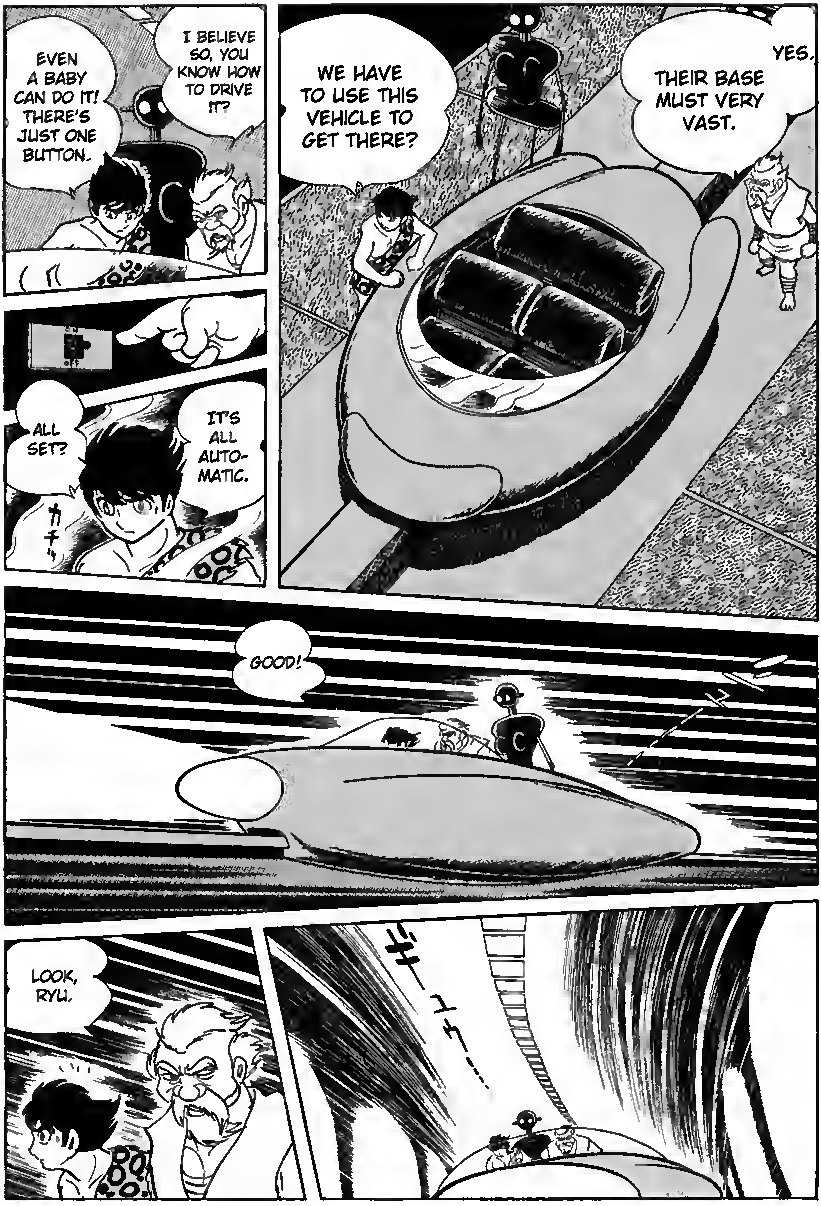
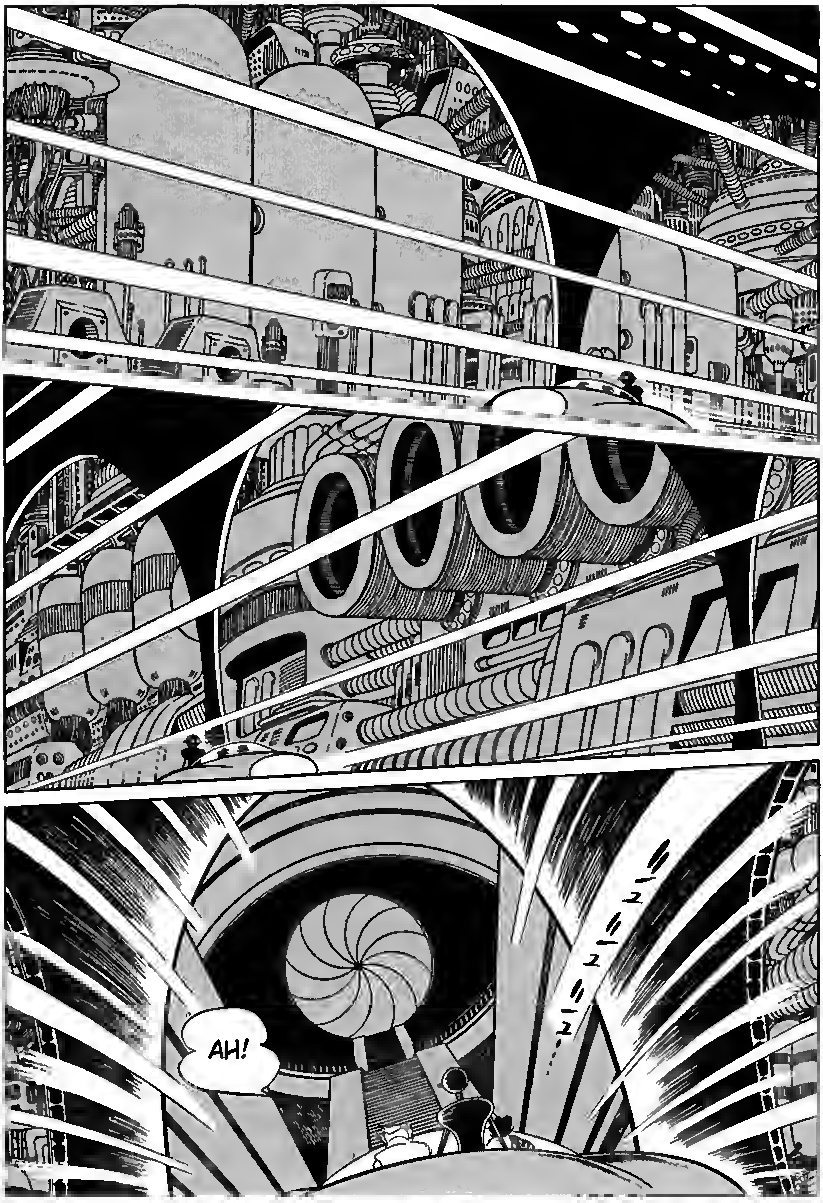

REALLY !?
HERE IS THE ENTRANCE.
HUH?
THAT'S STRANGE, IT STOPPED ATTACKING.
IT'S JUST CIRCLING AROUND...


THIS IS WHERE THEIR MASTER IS STAYING!
NO ONE IS ALLOWED TO ATTACK IT.
THIS IS A SACRED PLACE.
I SEE.
NOW WE JUST HAVE TO DEAL WITH THIS SUPER COMPUTER!
OF COURSE!
WOULD YOU LIKE TO ENTER?
PFFF! WHAT LUCK!
IT'S A VEHICLE...
HUH ?


I BELIEVE SO, YOU KNOW HOW TO DRIVE IT?
EVEN A BABY CAN DO IT! THERE'S JUST ONE BUTTON.
WE HAVE TO USE THIS VEHICLE TO GET THERE?
YES. THEIR BASE MUST VERY VAST.
IT'S ALL AUTO-MATIC.
ALL SET?
GOOD!
LOOK, RYU.

THIS GIANT MACHINE OCCUPIES THE CITY'S UNDER-GROUND...
THE CITY'S BRAIN...
ACTING LIKE BLOOD VESSELS AND THE NERVOUS SYSTEM.
AND OVER THERE LIES THIS COMPUTER WHICH...
CON-TROLS EVERY-THING!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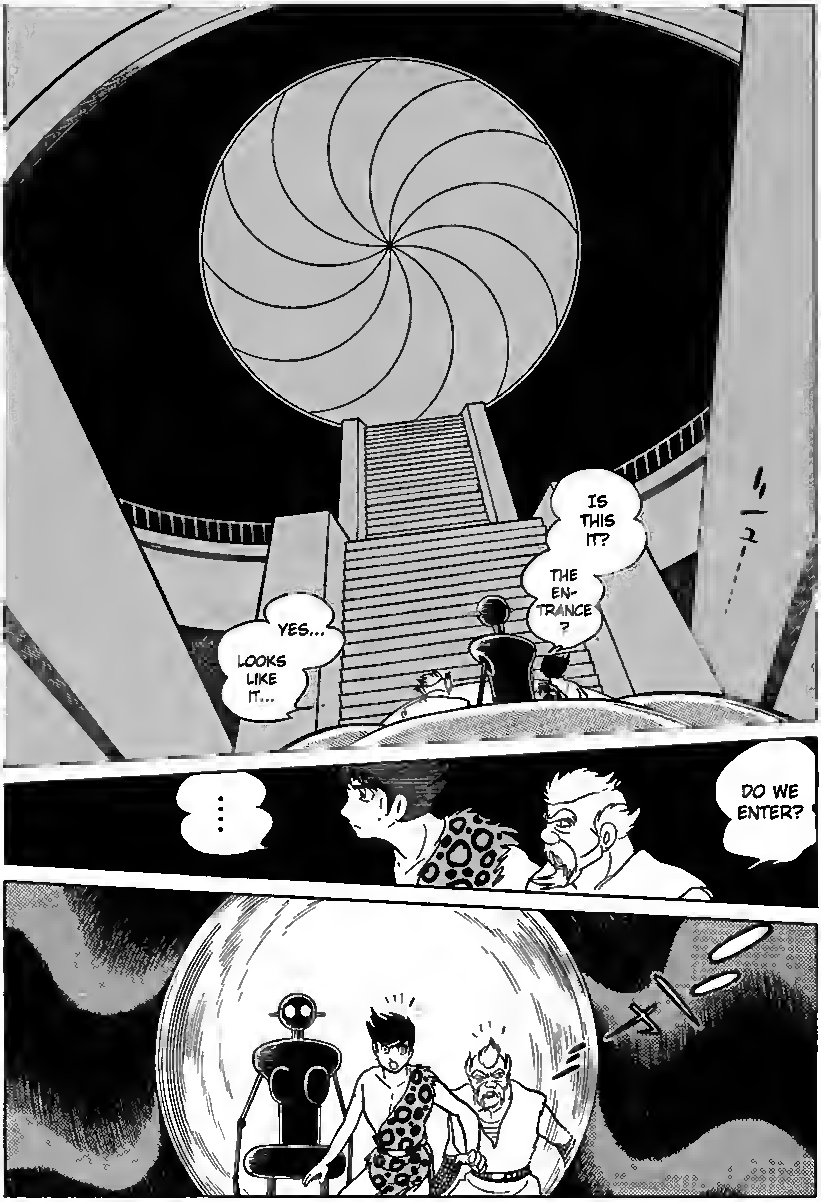
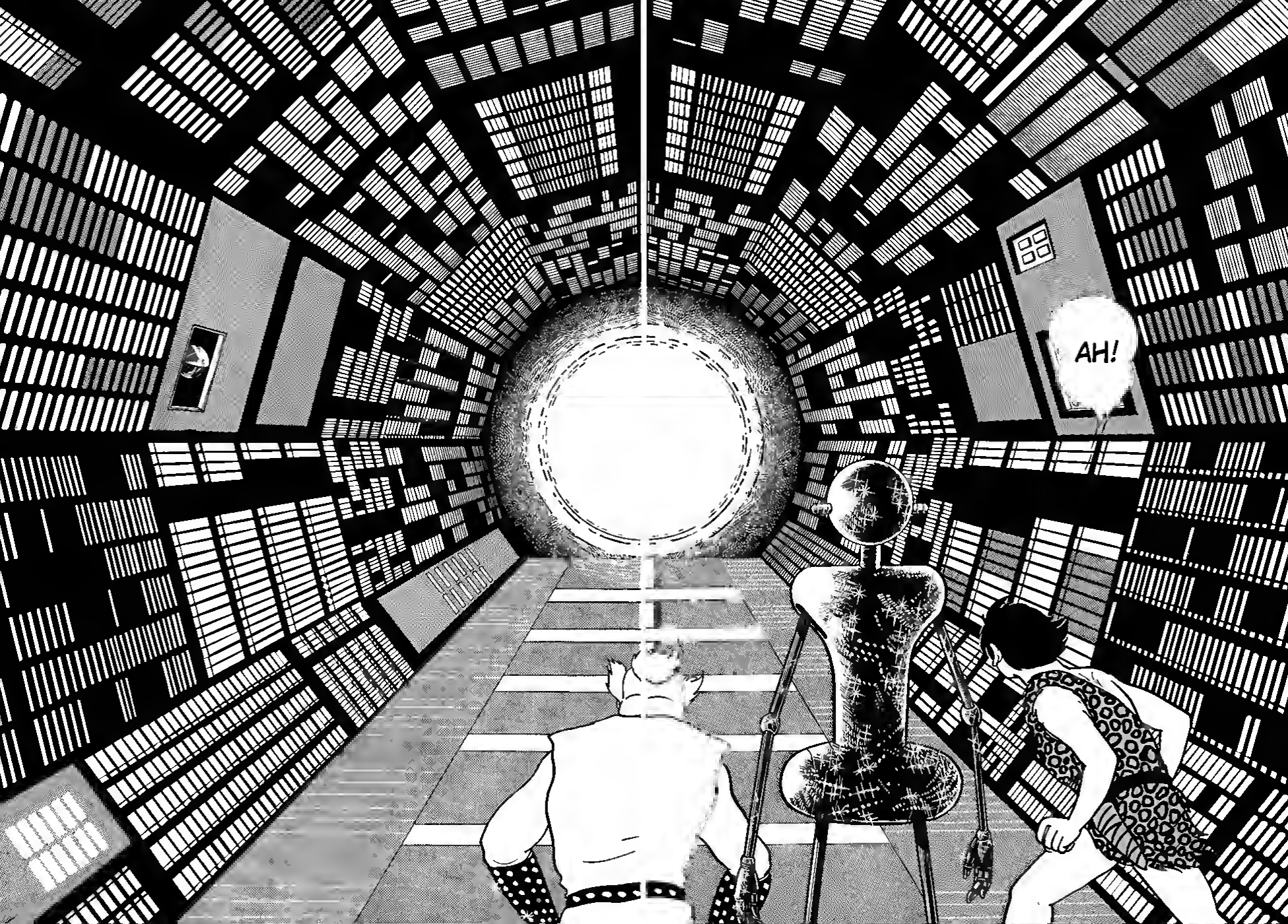
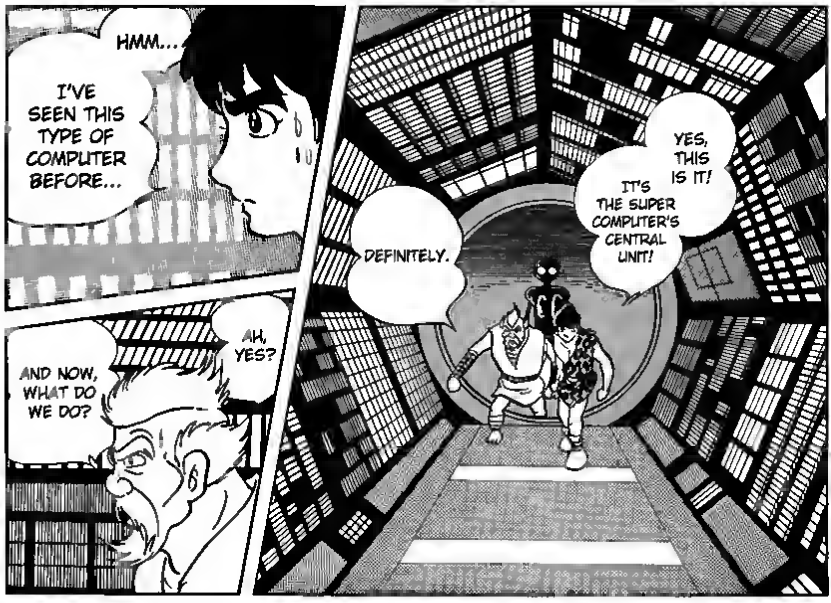
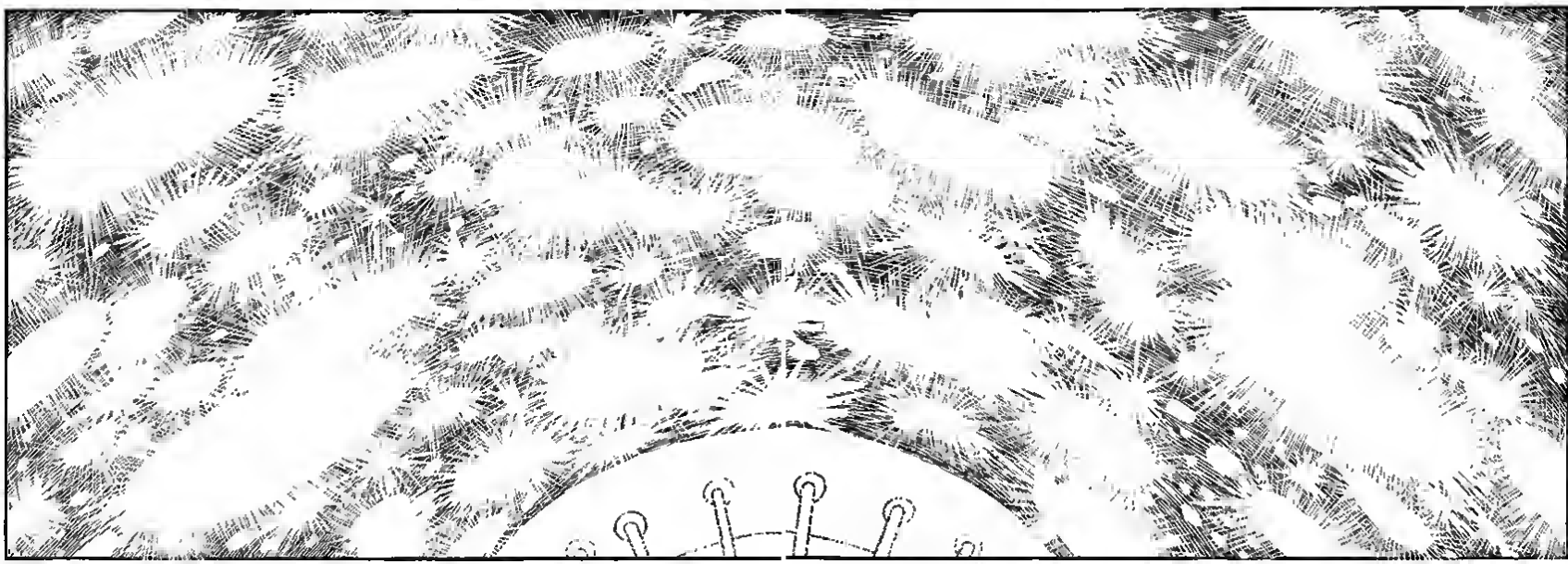
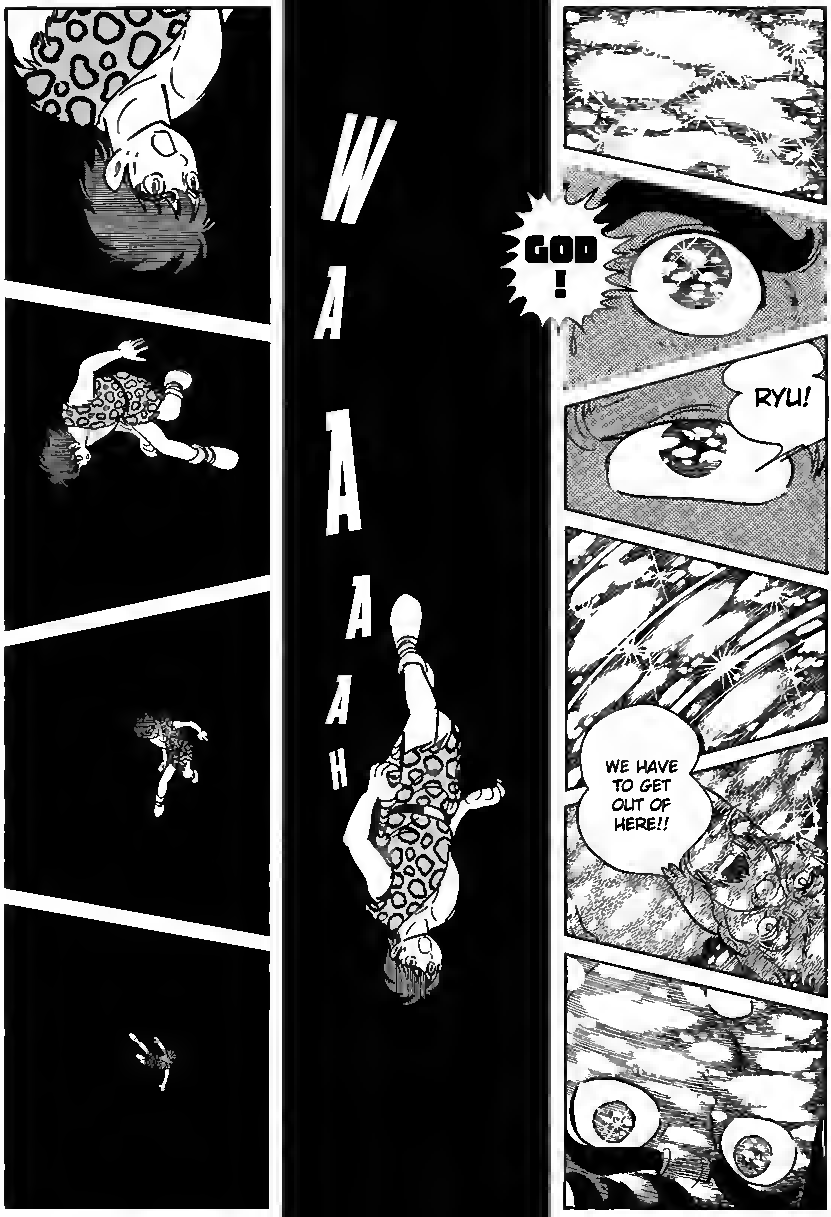

IS THIS IT?
THE EN-TRANCE ?
YES...
LOOKS LIKE IT....
DO WE ENTER?

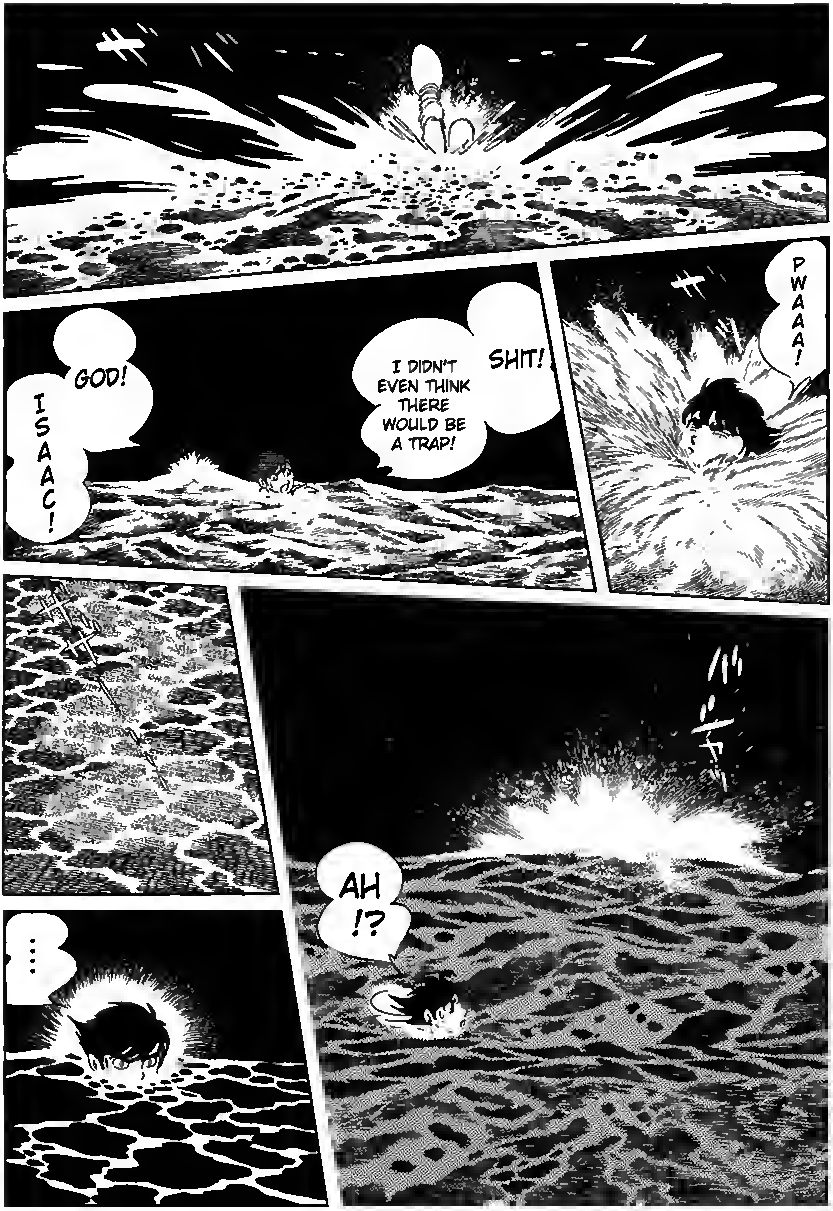

AH!

AT THE END OF THIS HALL, THERE'S...
AND IF WE GO A BIT FARTHER?
CAN YOU?
YOU WANT TO TAKE CONTROL OF IT BUT...
AH!
...
I GET THE FEELING THIS IS GOING TOO EASY...
BE CAREFUL, THAT DOESN'T TELL ME ANYTHING.

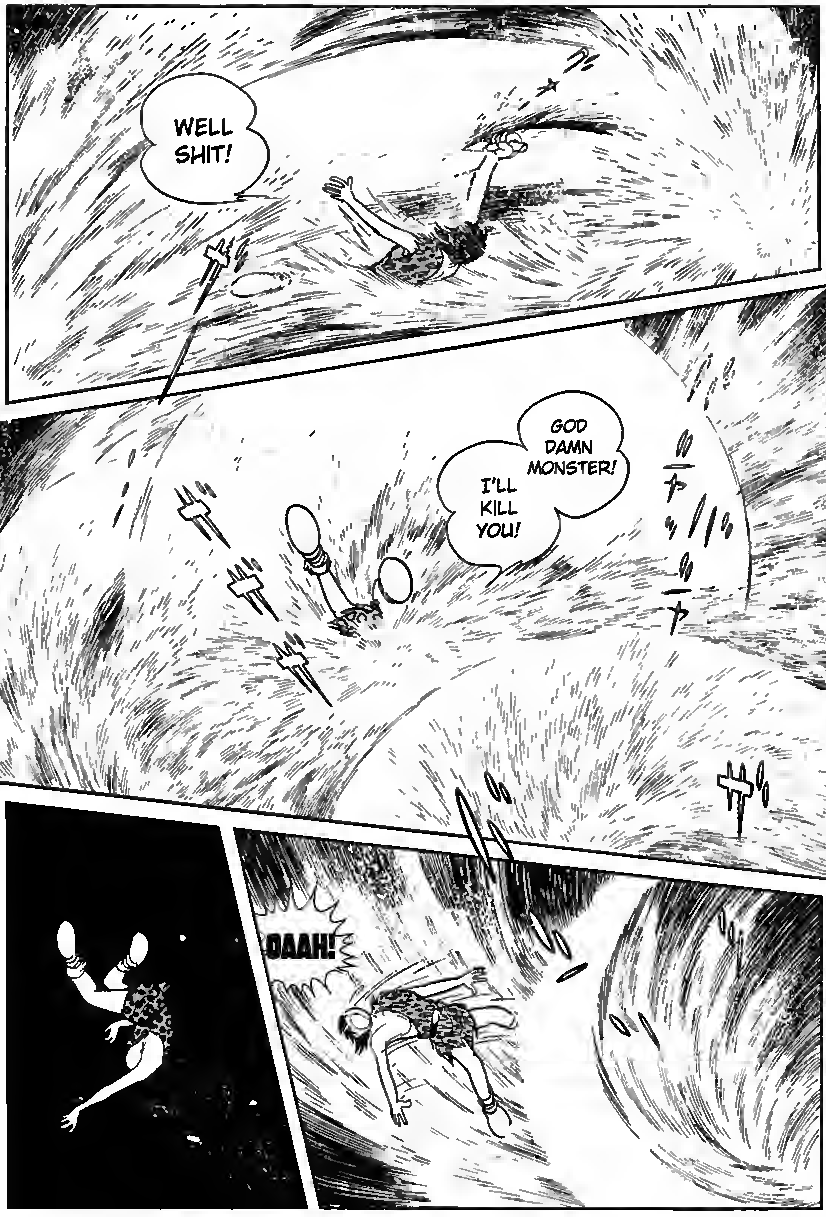

HMM...
I'VE SEEN THIS TYPE OF COMPUTER BEFORE...
AND NOW, WHAT DO WE DO?
AH, YES?
DEFINITELY.
IT'S THE SUPER COMPUTER'S CENTRAL UNIT!
YES, THIS IS IT!



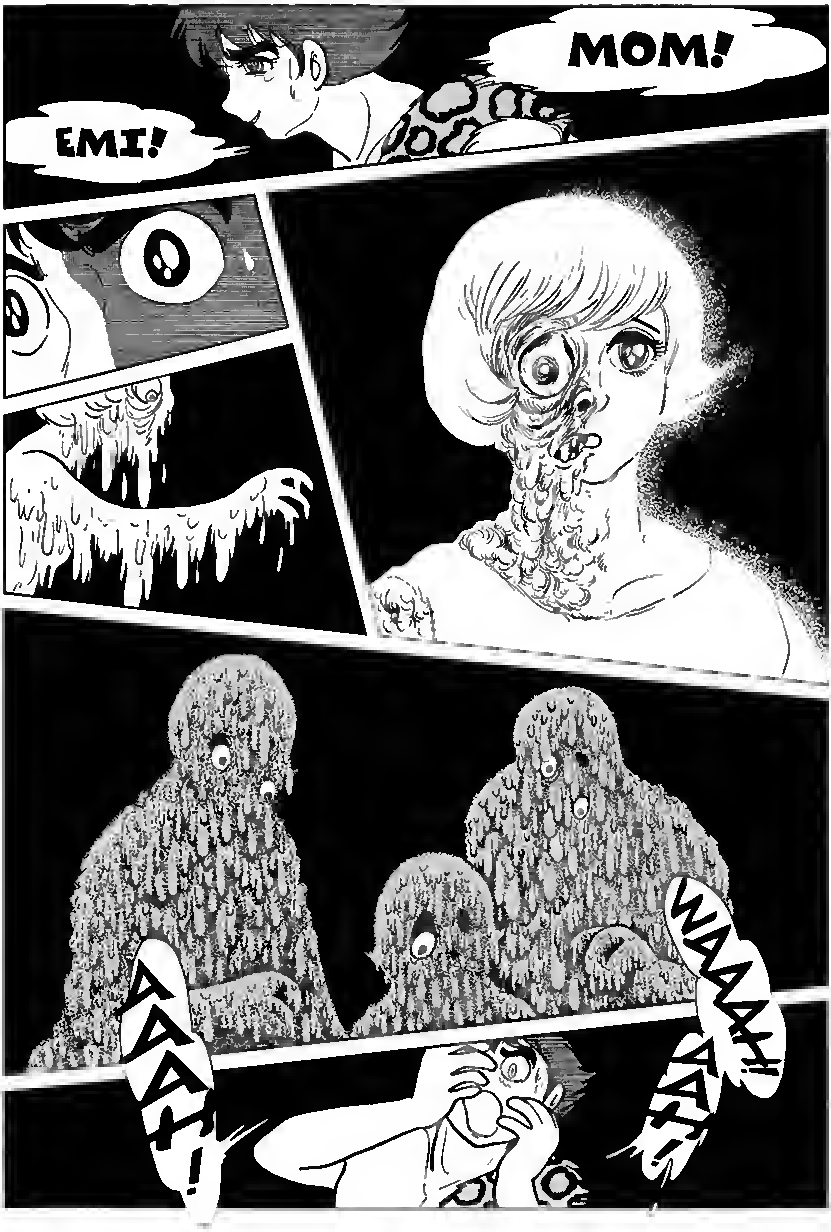

GOD!
RYU!
WE HAVE TO GET OUT OF HERE!!
WAAAAAH


PWAAA!
SHIT!
I DIDN'T EVEN THINK THERE WOULD BE A TRAP!
GOD!
ISAAC!
AH!?
……

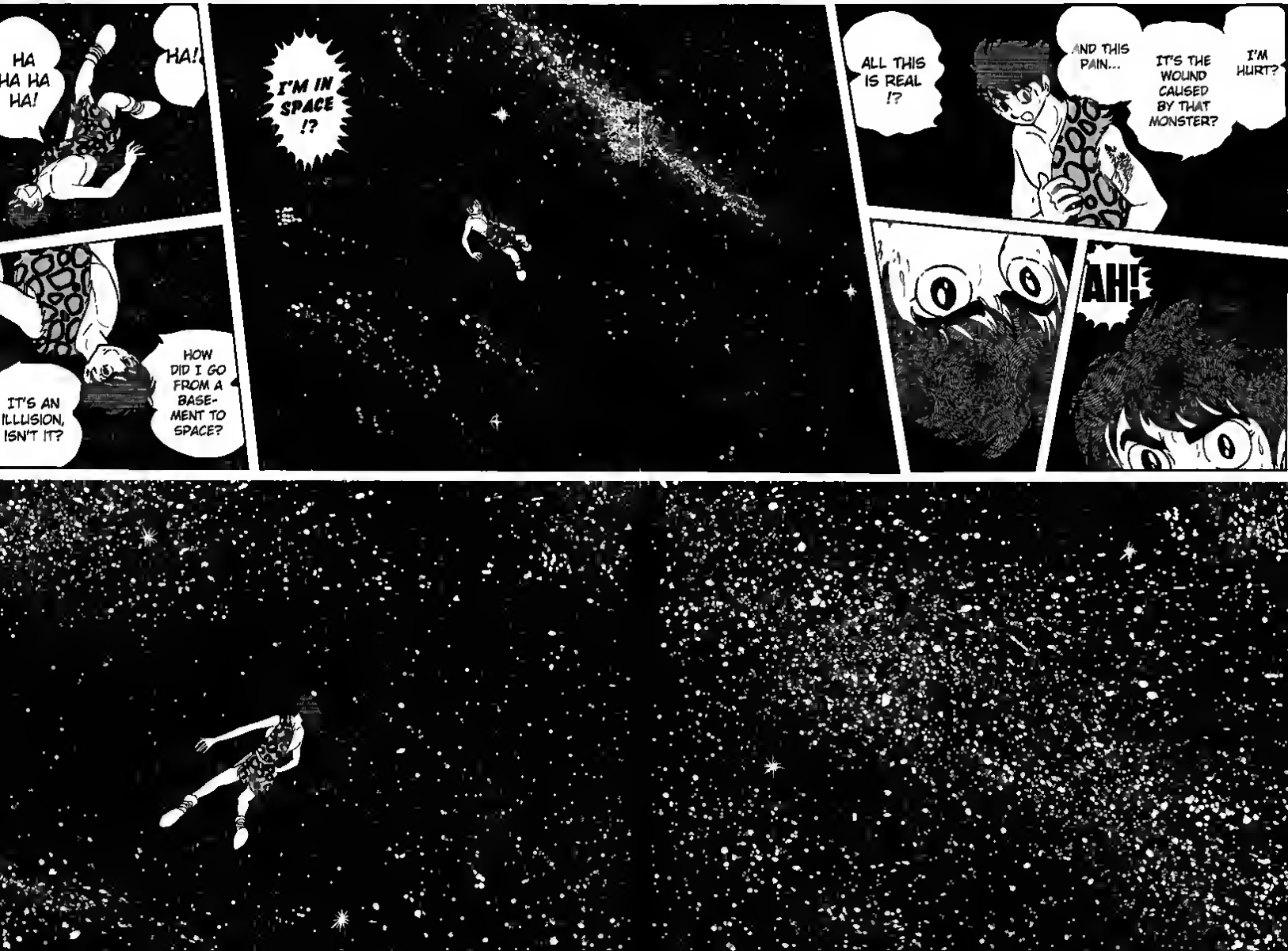
WOAAH!

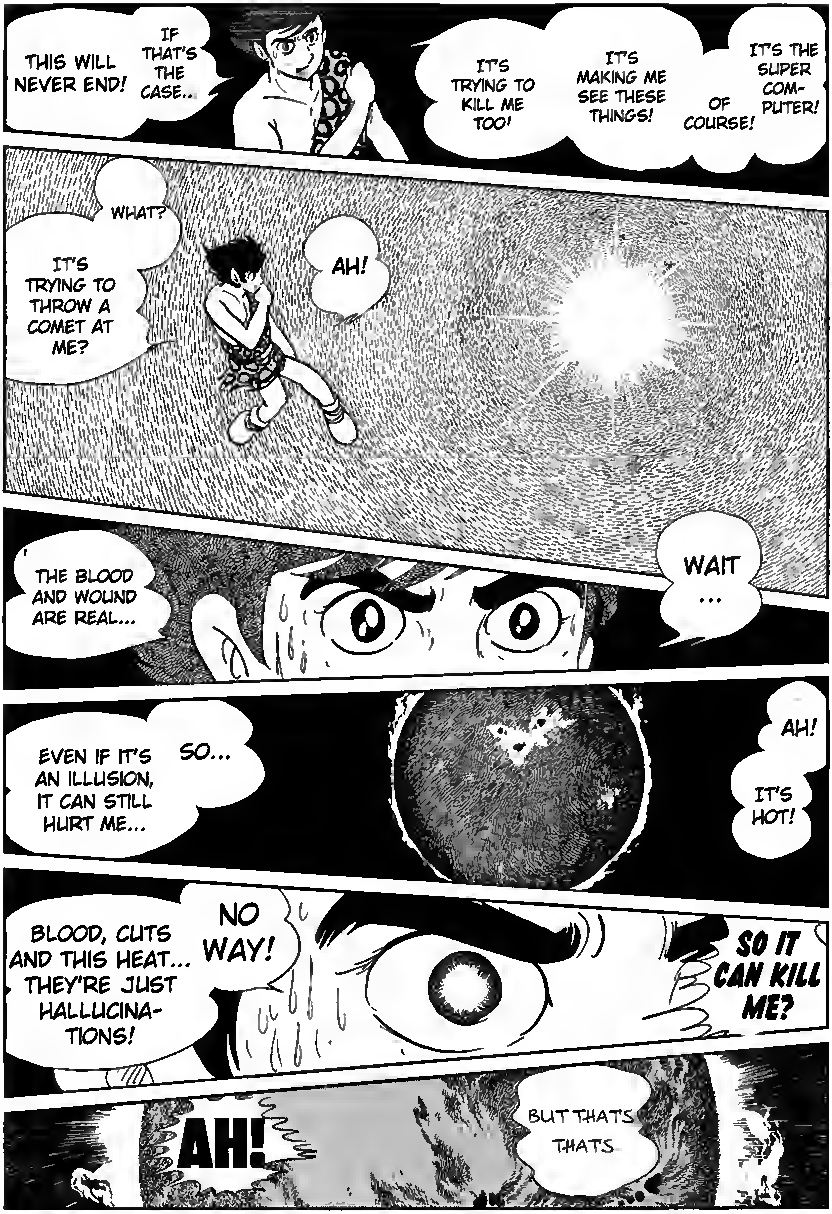

WELL SHIT!
GOD DAMN MONSTER!
I'LL KILL YOU!
OAAH!

OW...
AH...
HUH!?
AH!
I CAN'T SEE ANY-THING. IT'S TOO DARK...
HMM ?
AND EMI TOO!
IT'S DAD!?
AND MOM!?
UH...
AH...
AHH!?


MOM!
EMI!
AAA!
WAAA!
AA!

HELP ME, GOD!
WHERE ARE YOU? ANSWER ME!
IT'S NOT REAL!
STOP!
NO!
NOO!
AH
HUH ?
IT'S AN ILLUSION!
THIS ISN'T REALITY! NONE OF THIS IS HAPPENING!
YOU HAVE NOTHING TO FEAR, RYU!
.....!
HA HA HA..
THAT'S IT!


HA HA HA HA!
HA!
I'M IN SPACE !?
ALL THIS IS REAL !?
AND THIS PAIN...
IT'S THE WOUND CAUSED BY THAT MONSTER?
I'M HURT?
AH!
HOW DID I GO FROM A BASE-MENT TO SPACE?
IT'S AN ILLUSION, ISN'T IT?

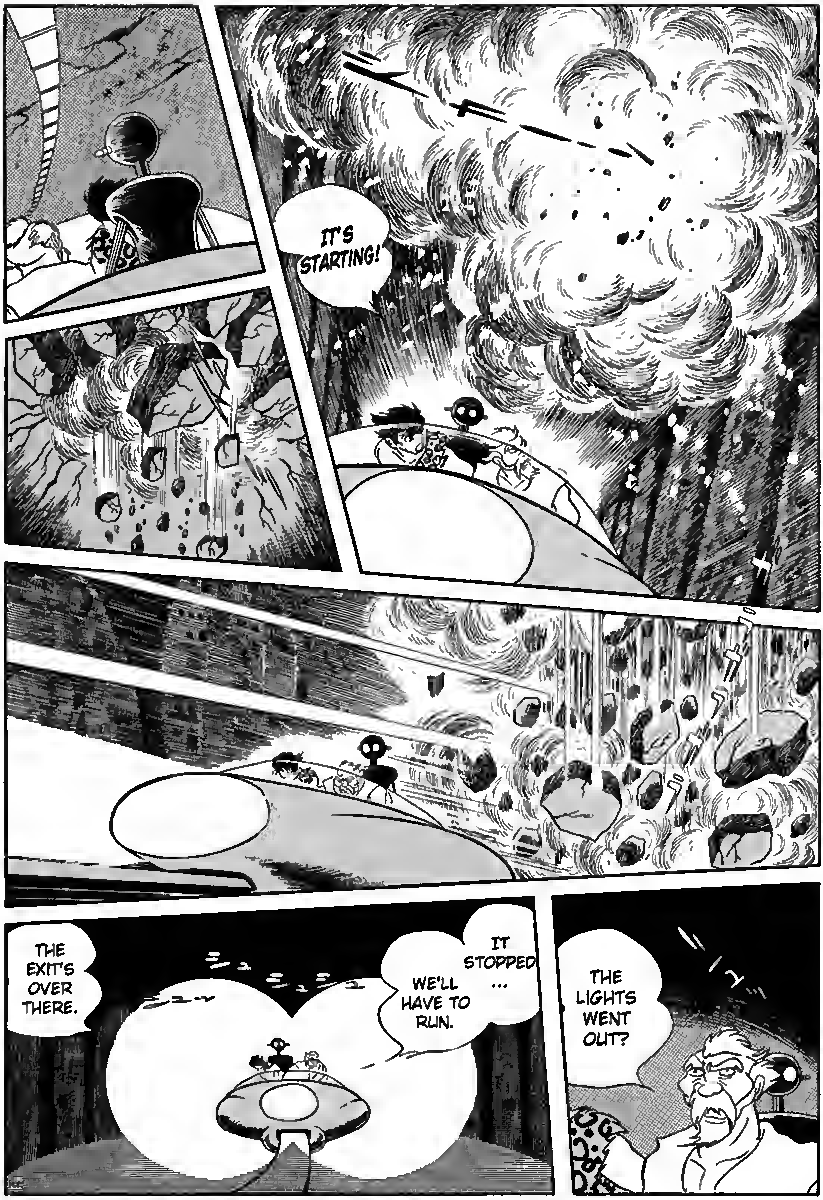

THIS WILL NEVER END!
IF THAT'S THE CASE..
IT'S TRYING TO KILL ME TOO!
IT'S MAKING ME SEE THESE THINGS!
OF COURSE!
IT'S THE SUPER COM-PUTER!
WHAT?
IT'S TRYING TO THROW A COMET AT ME?
AH!
THE BLOOD AND WOUND ARE REAL...
WAIT ...
EVEN IF IT'S AN ILLUSION, IT CAN STILL HURT ME...
SO...
AH!
IT'S HOT!
BLOOD, CUTS AND THIS HEAT... THEY'RE JUST HALLUCINA-TIONS!
NO WAY!
SO IT CAN KILL ME?
AH!
BUT THAT'S THAT'S

NO!
NOOO!
NOO!
WAAAH!

RYU!
WAKE UP, RYU!
RYU!
AH!?
SO I WAS RIGHT!
YES. THEY WERE HALLUCI-NATIONS.
GOD!?
ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
IT STIMULATED OUR CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM WITH LIGHTS AND PARTICULAR WAVES...
IT... THE SUPER COMPUTER ...
AND ALMOST FELL FOR IT'S TRAP!
I TOO, SAW A LOT OF STUFF.
AH?

WHAT ARE YOU DOING!?
ISAAC!
NO DOUBT HE'S DESTROYING THE COMPUTER!
STOP, IF YOU DESTROY IT...
CALM DOWN, RYU.
THERE'S NO OTHER SOLUTION!
MOST DEFINITELY HAS THE POWER TO KILL PEOPLE!
AND... THE FEAR...
THE FEAR WAS REAL.
BUT... WHAT ATTACKED US WERE NOTHING BUT ILLUSIONS.
WOULD BE DEAD RIGHT NOW!
YOU AND I...
IF IT CONTINUED...

RIGHT NOW!
WE HAVE TO LEAVE...
NOW ...
BUT...
I DON'T KNOW THE CONSEQUENCE OF ALL THIS UNCONTROL-LABLE...
ENERGY!
HURRY!
WE'RE GOING!
YOU'RE GOOD, ISAAC.
HMPH!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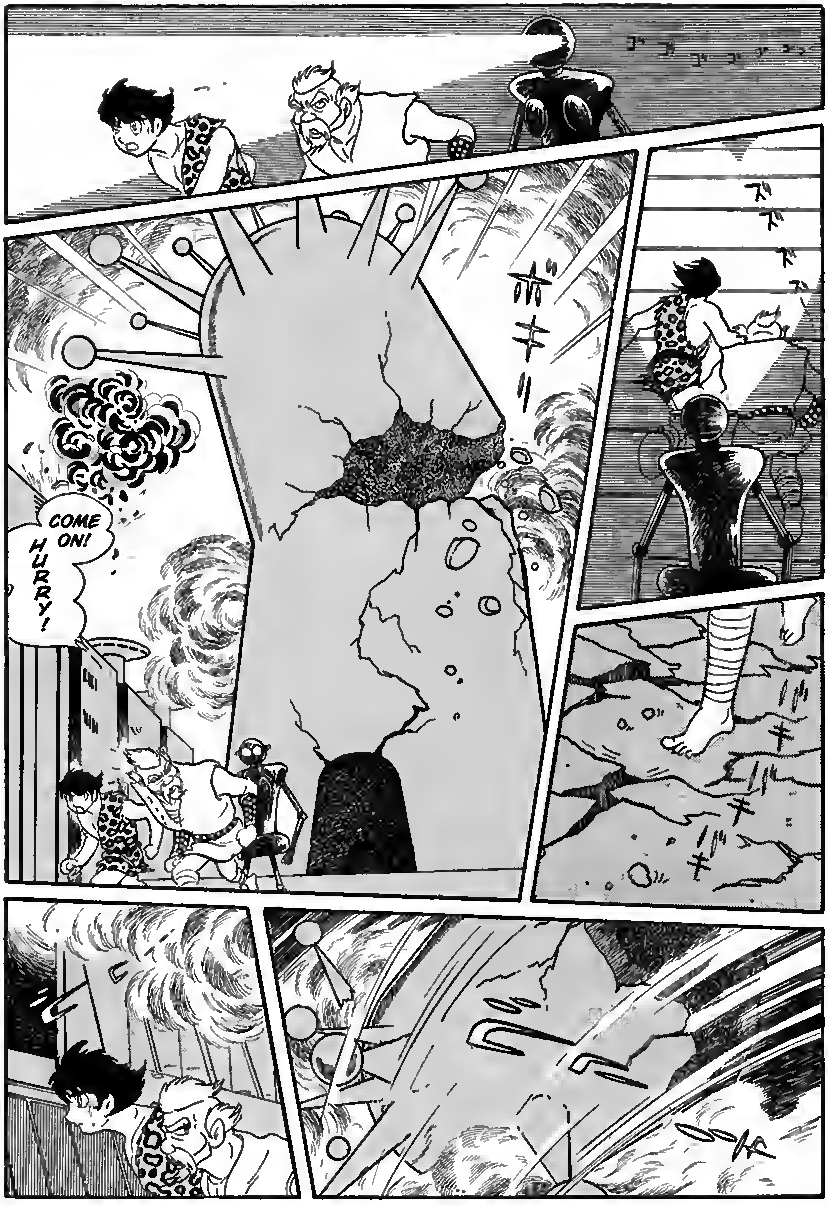
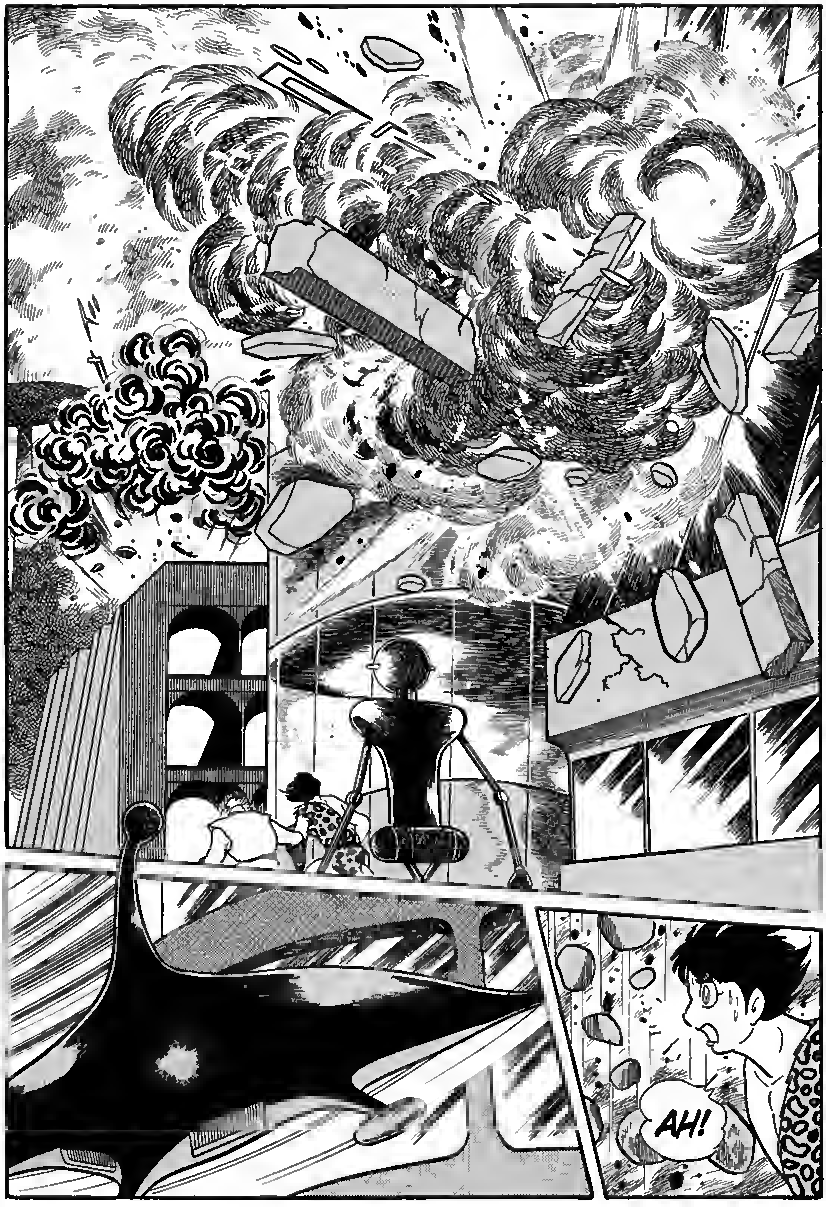
THE EXIT'S OVER THERE.
WE'LL HAVE TO RUN.
IT STOPPED ...
THE LIGHTS WENT OUT?


COME ON! HURRY!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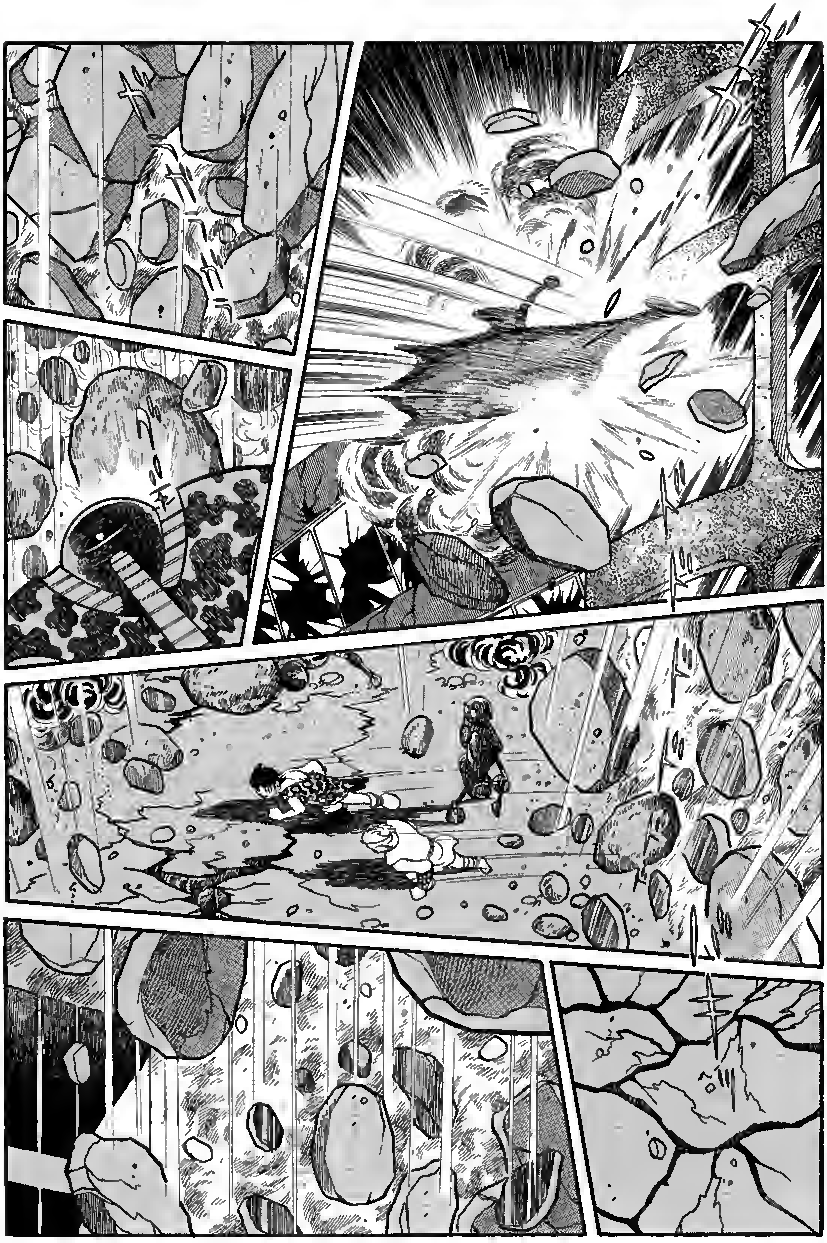

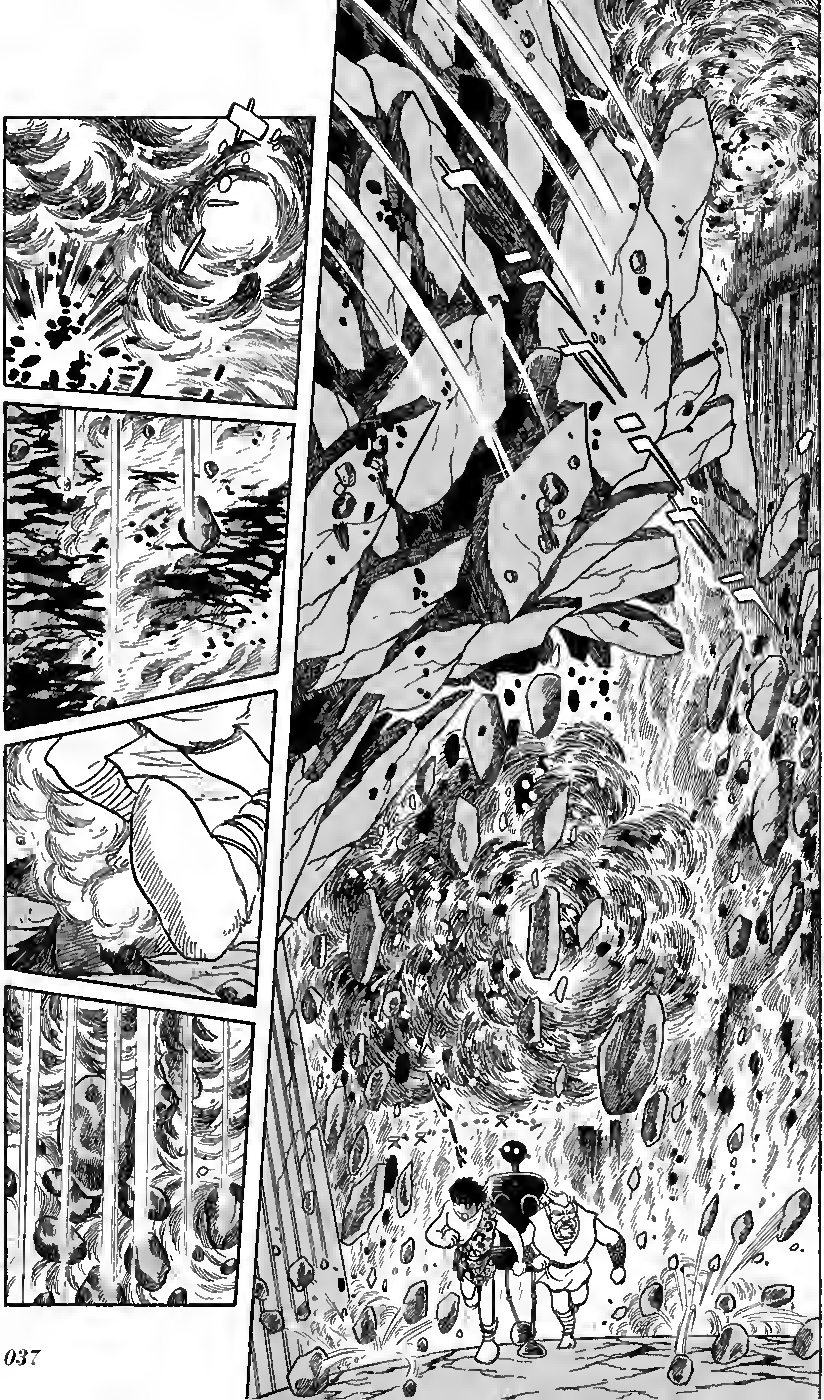
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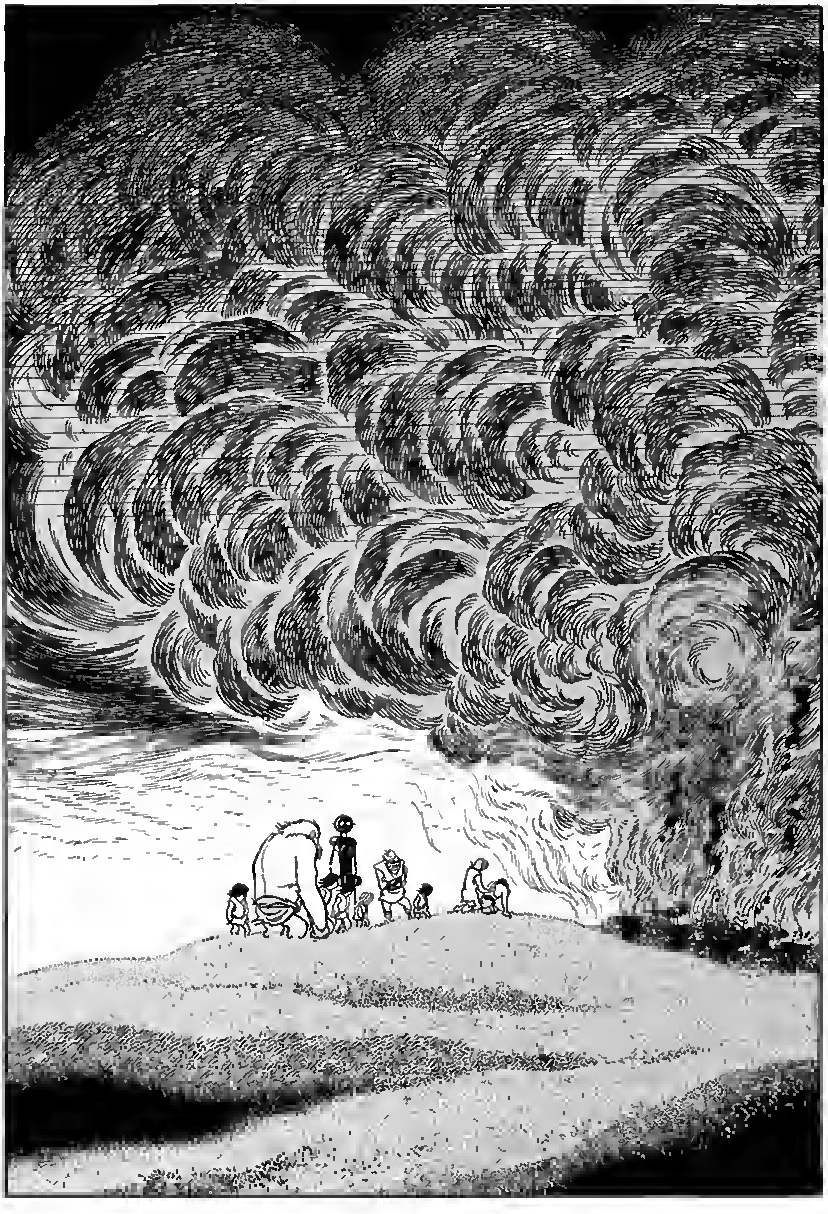
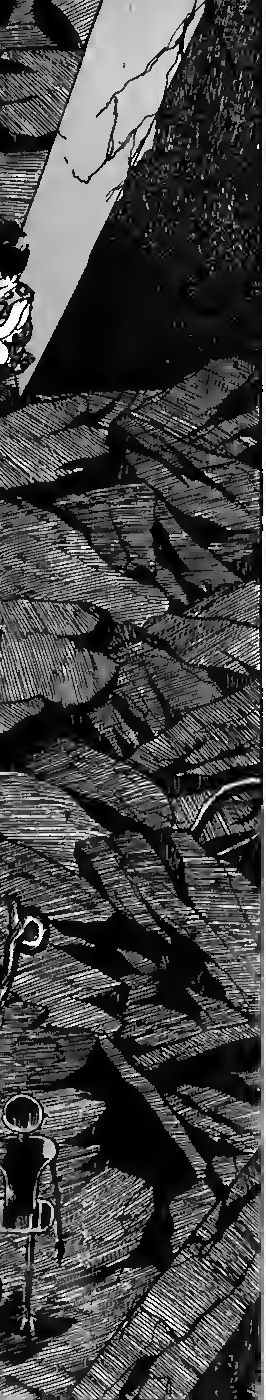
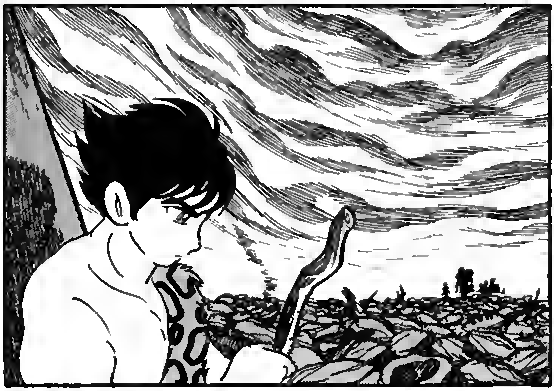
YES, IT'S BURNING.
AND LIKE THIS, NO HUMAN OR ROBOT WILL EVER LIVE IN IT AGAIN.
THE CITY IT'S
HAH HAH HAH...

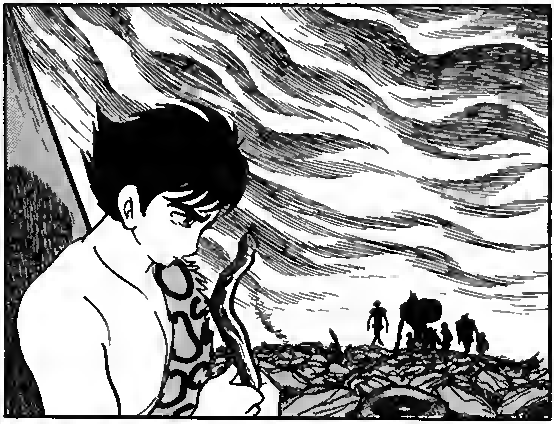
YOU DON'T WANT TO LIVE!
YOU DID THIS ON PURPOSE, CAUSE YOU DON'T WANT TO
YOU KNEW WHAT WAS GOING TO HAPPEN!
GOD!
IT'S YOU! YOU DID THIS!
AH
AAAH
AH...?

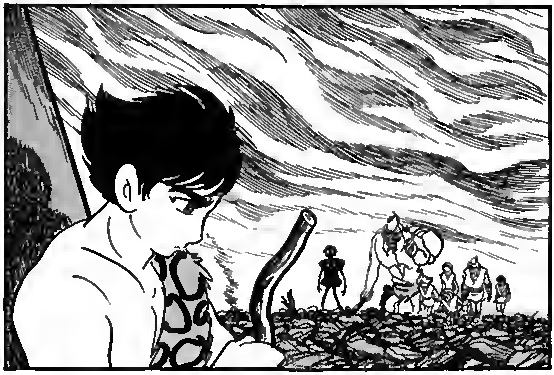


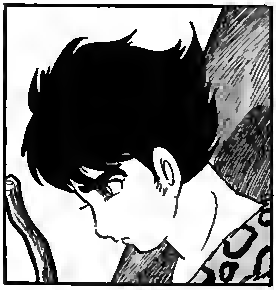
⑲ THE FOREST OF
NURSING TREES

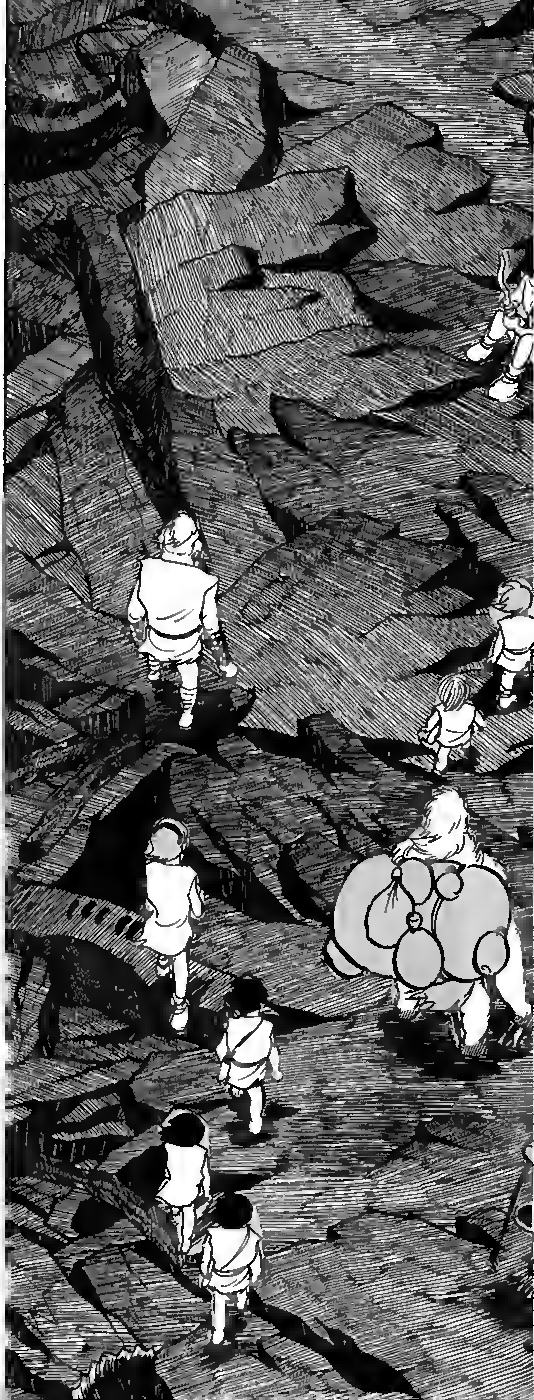




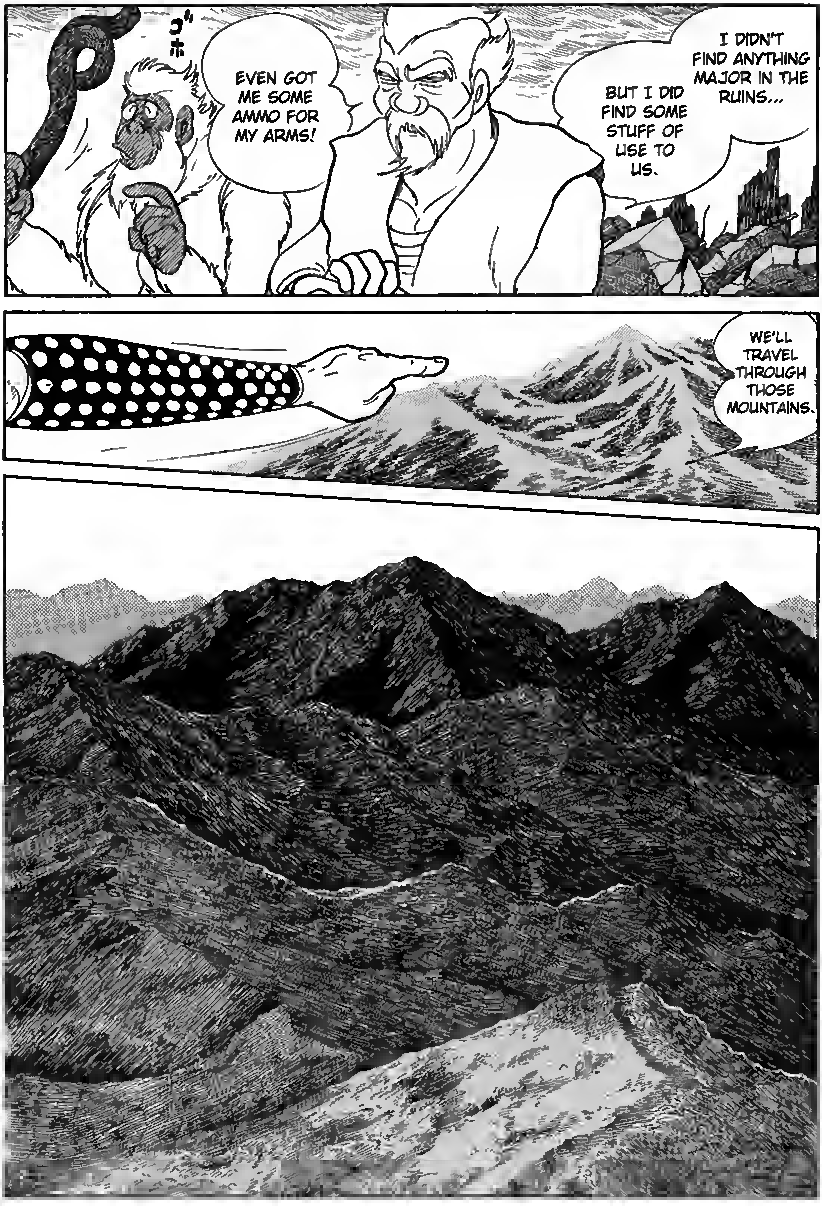




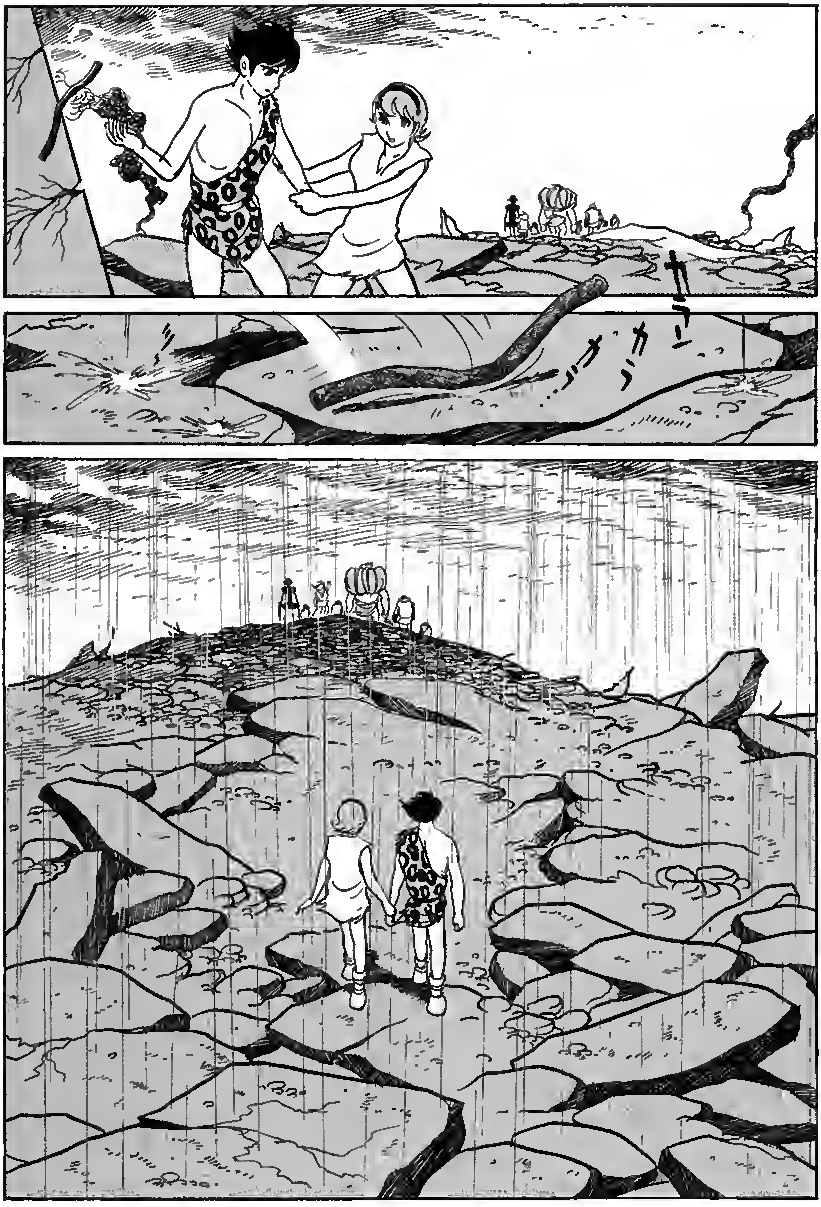


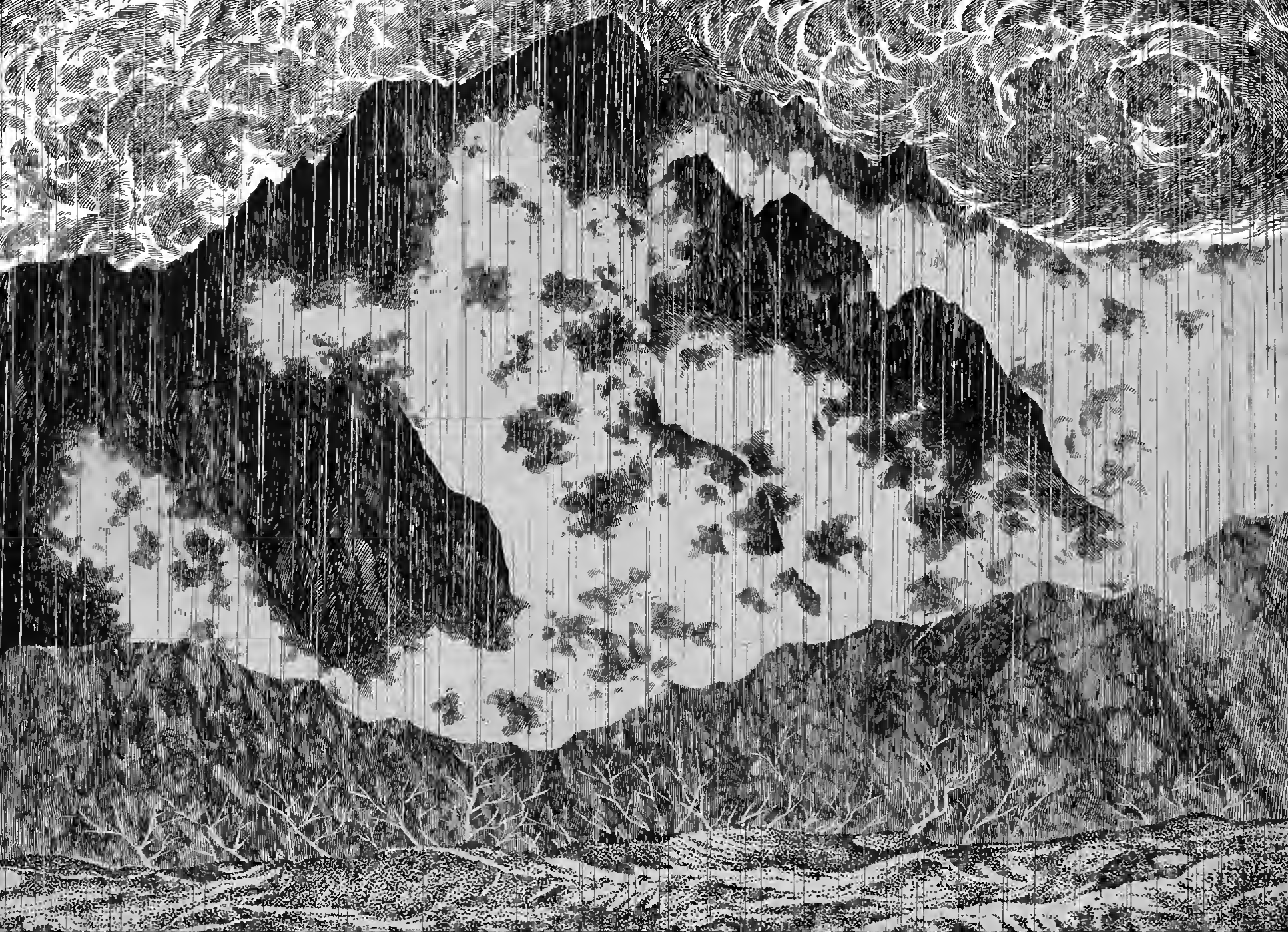


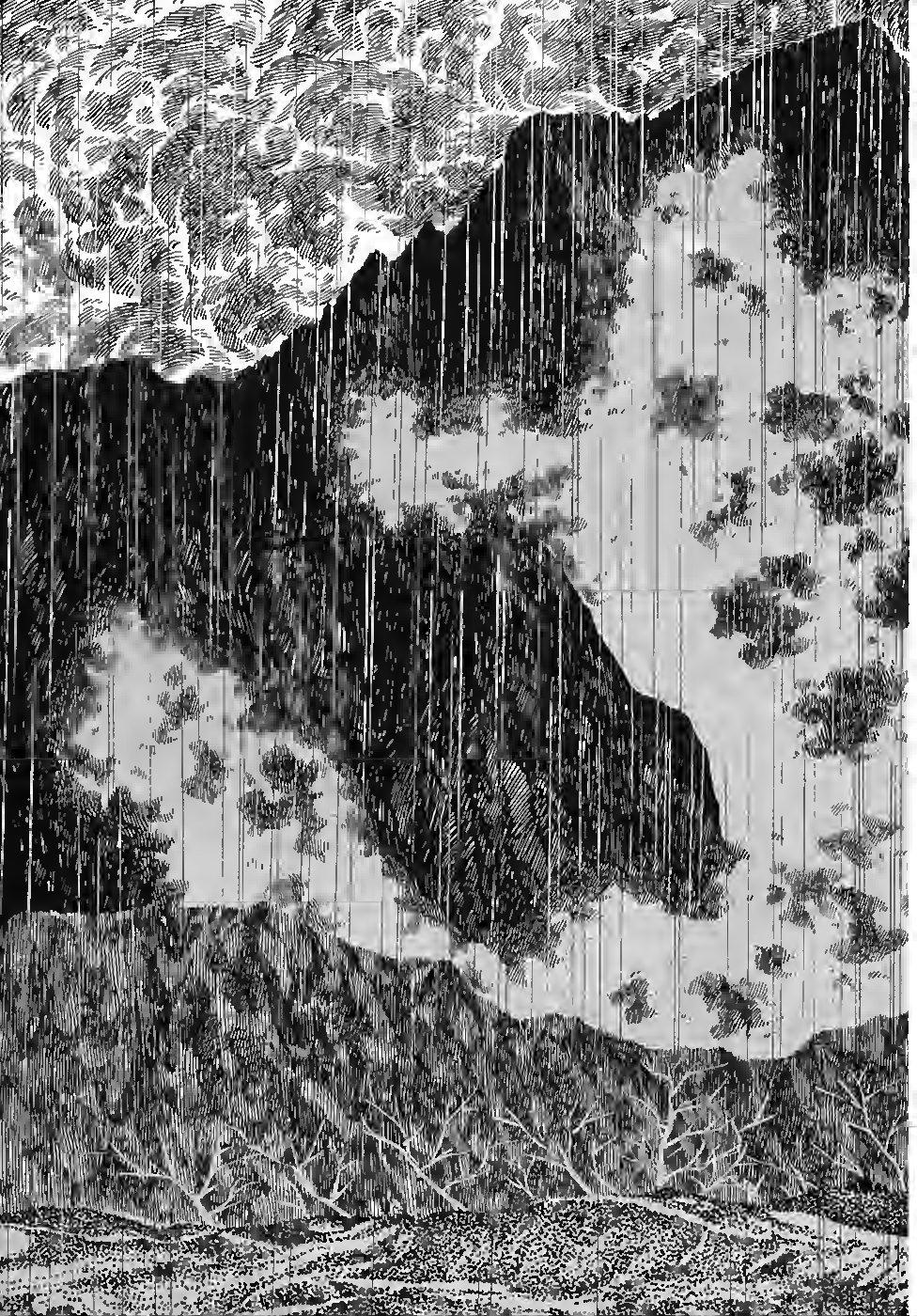
THE CITY'S COMPLETELY DESTROYED.
...
RYU, WE'RE GOING.

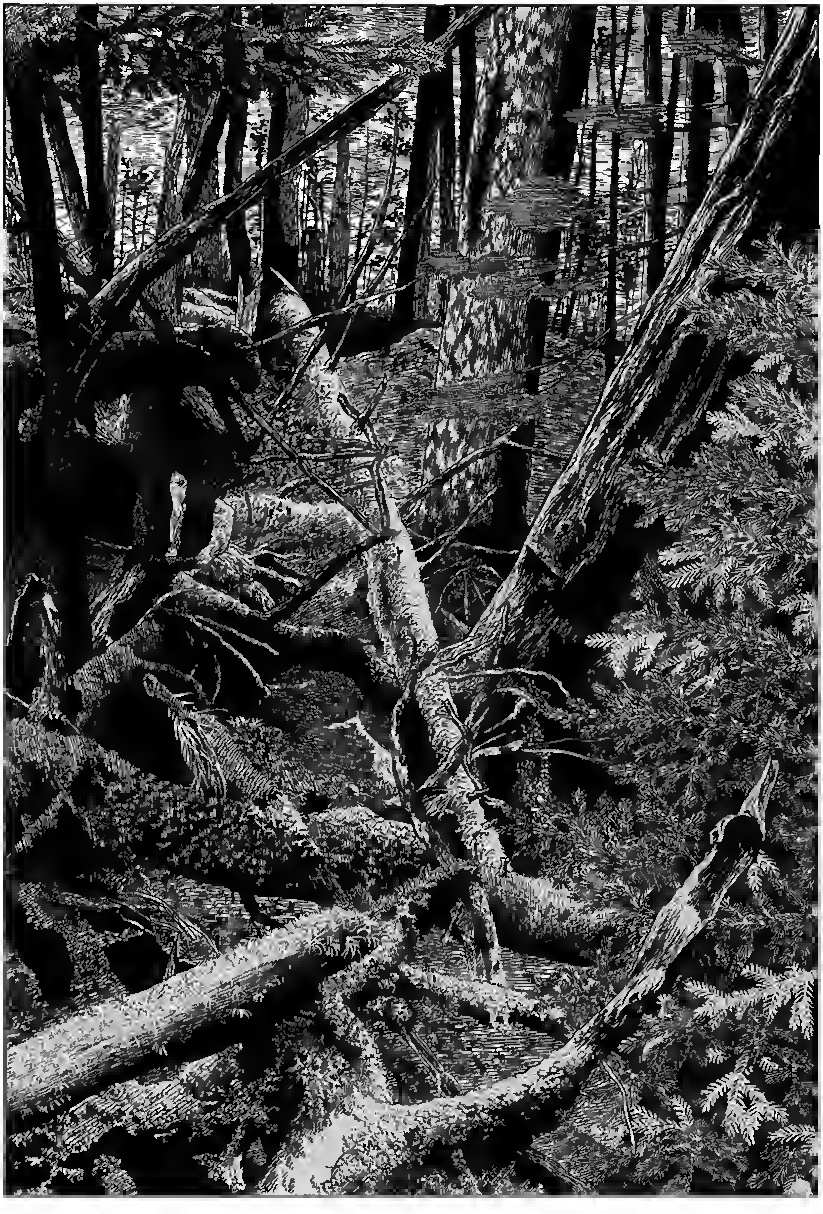

I DIDN'T FIND ANYTHING MAJOR IN THE RUINS...
BUT I DID FIND SOME STUFF OF USE TO US.
EVEN GOT ME SOME AMMO FOR MY ARMS!
WE'LL TRAVEL THROUGH THOSE MOUNTAINS.

...
WE MUST GET PASS THEM BEFORE THE FIRST SNOW FALL.
WINTER'S COMING.
AN OLD SAYING GOES, THE GRASS IS ALWAYS GREENER ON THE OTHER SIDE!
WHAT'S STOPPING THERE FROM HAVING ANOTHER ONE BEYOND THE MOUNTAINS?
IF THERE WAS A CITY HERE...
LET'S GO!
COME ON!





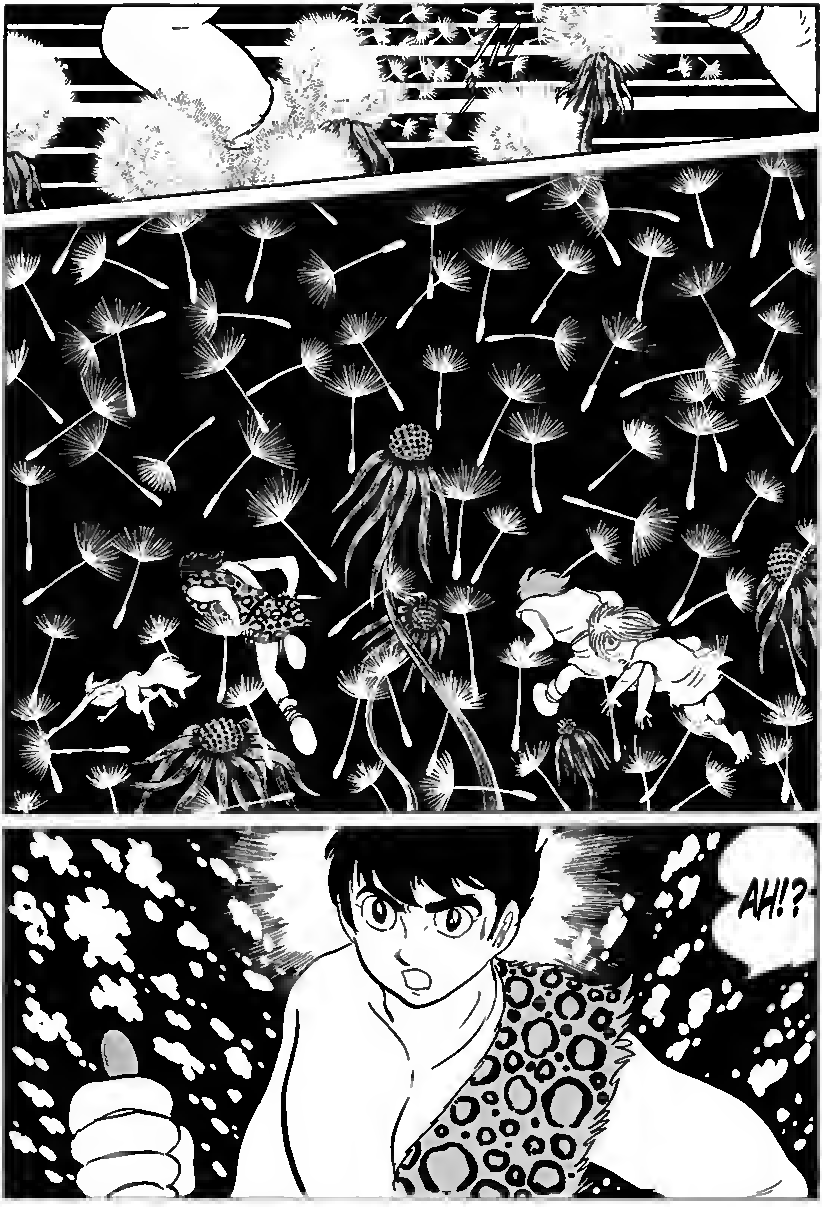




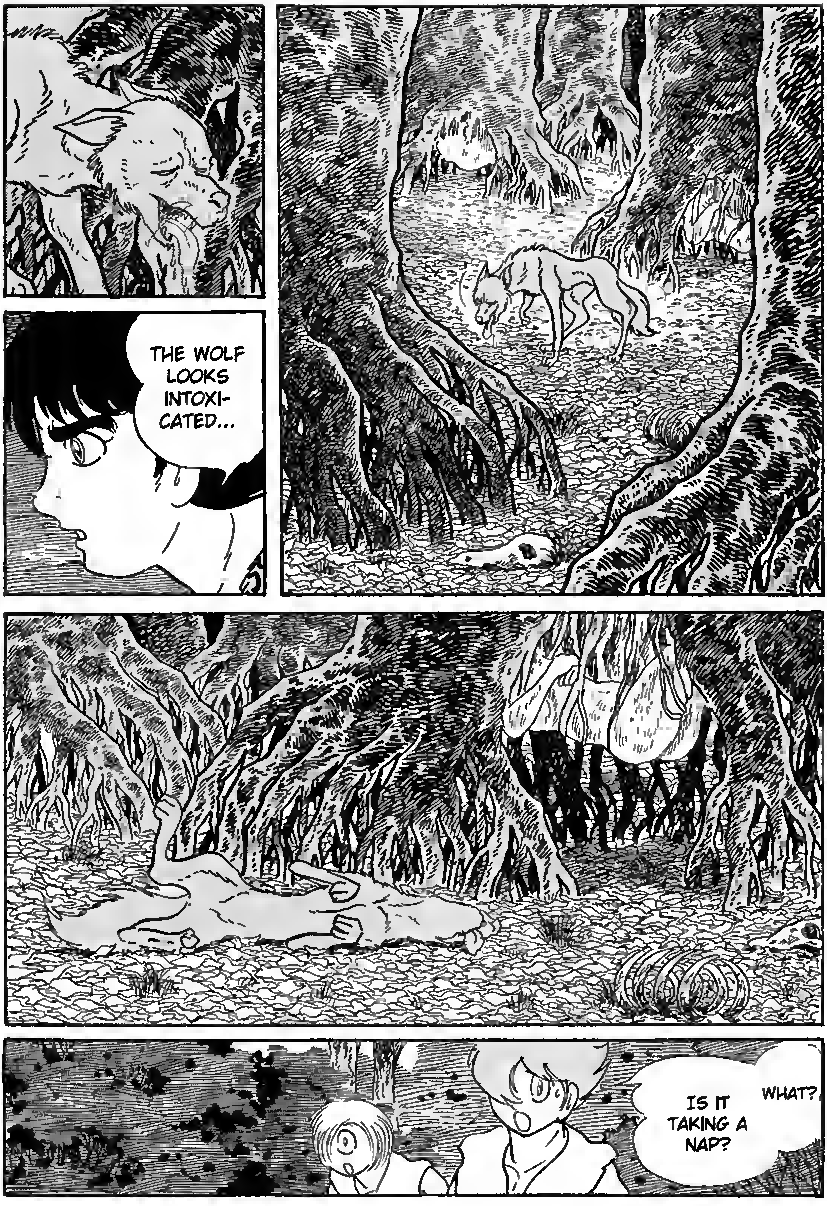
YOU GOT IT!
THAT'S ENOUGH FOR TONIGHT
LET'S GET BACK.
RYU'S NOT BACK YET?

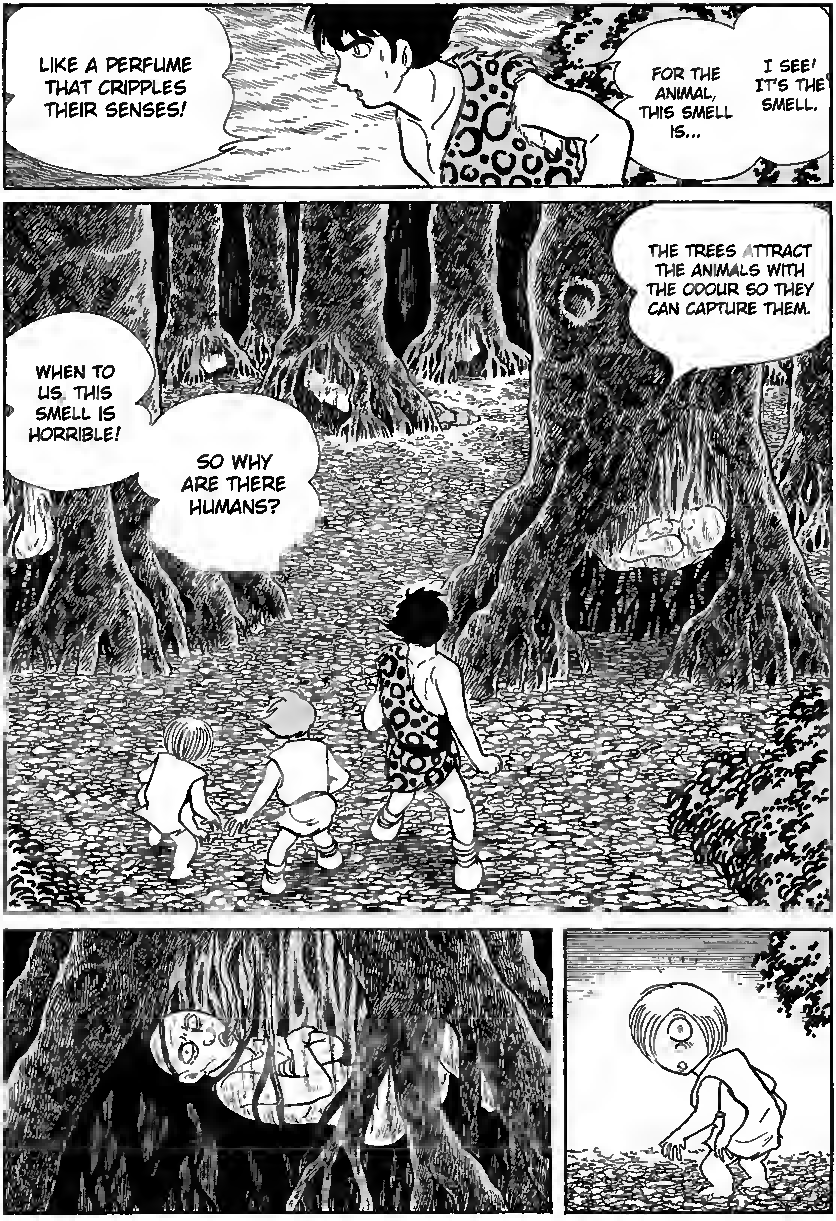
SO IT DIDN'T KNOW HOW TO DEFEND ITSELF. THAT'S ALL
THERE'S NO OTHER HUMANS AROUND...
HUH?
IT WAS NOTHING.
AWE-SOME!

THERE'S ANOTHER OVER THERE!
IT'LL BE THE LAST!
AH WAIT!

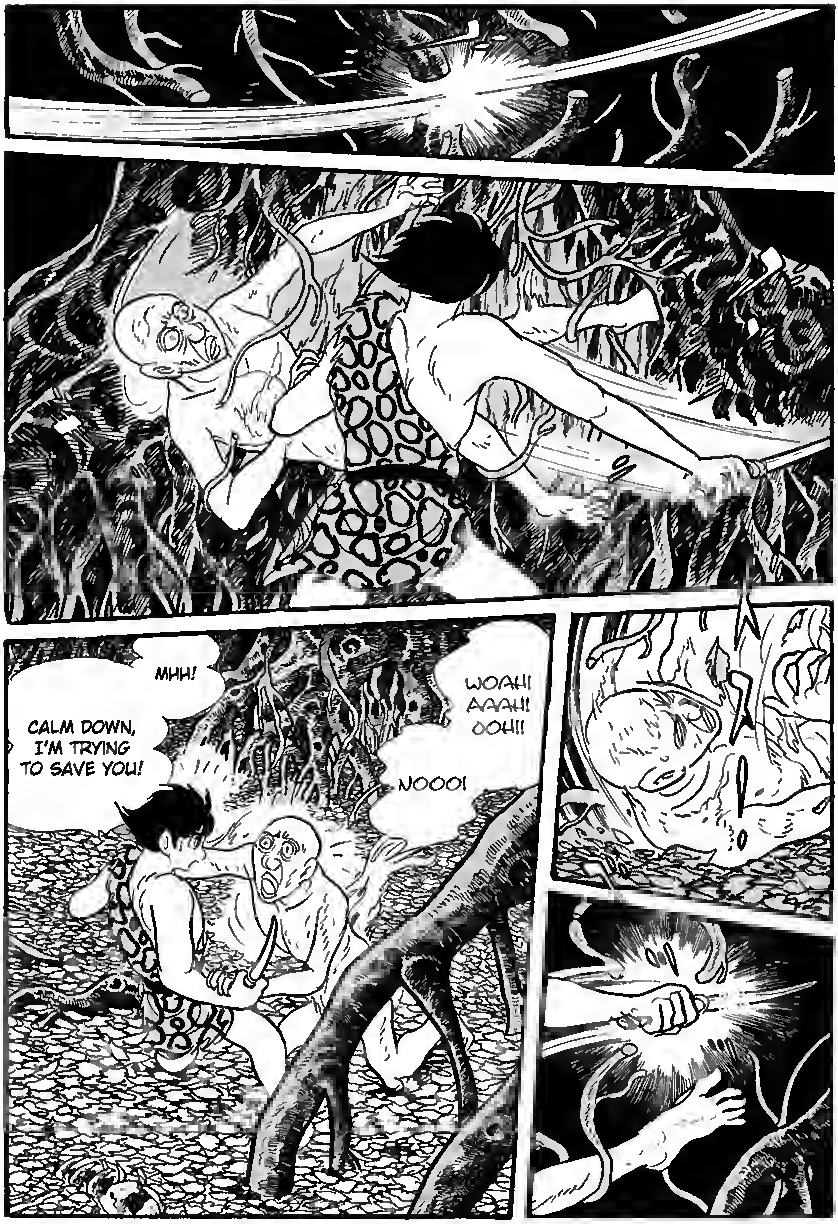

AH!?

MAN-EATING TREES?
LIKE SOME-THING'S ROTTING!
FUAA! IT STINKS!
BUT DIFFERENT FROM THE SMELL OF THE HYENA-TREES...
THE SMELL OF ROTTING MEAT?
NO, WAIT.
LOOK AT THAT!
RYU!
LET'S GO BACK!


THE WOLF LOOKS INTOXI-CATED...
WHAT?
IS IT TAKING A NAP?


LIKE A PERFUME THAT CRIPPLES THEIR SENSES!
FOR THE ANIMAL, THIS SMELL IS...
I SEE! IT'S THE SMELL.
THE TREES ATTRACT THE ANIMALS WITH THE ODOUR SO THEY CAN CAPTURE THEM.
WHEN TO US, THIS SMELL IS HORRIBLE!
SO WHY ARE THERE HUMANS?

WAAH!!
AH... THERE ... IT...
WHAT?
IT'S LOOKING AT US!
HE'S ALIVE!
AH!
STAY BACK!


MHH!
CALM DOWN, I'M TRYING TO SAVE YOU!
WOAH! AAAH! OOH!!
NOOO!

AAH...
NO...
SAVE YOUR-SELF!
COME ON, HURRY!
WHAT HAP-PENED TO YOU?
DON'T... TOUCH ME...
DU... DU...
HMM?
AAAH! NOOOO!
HUH!?
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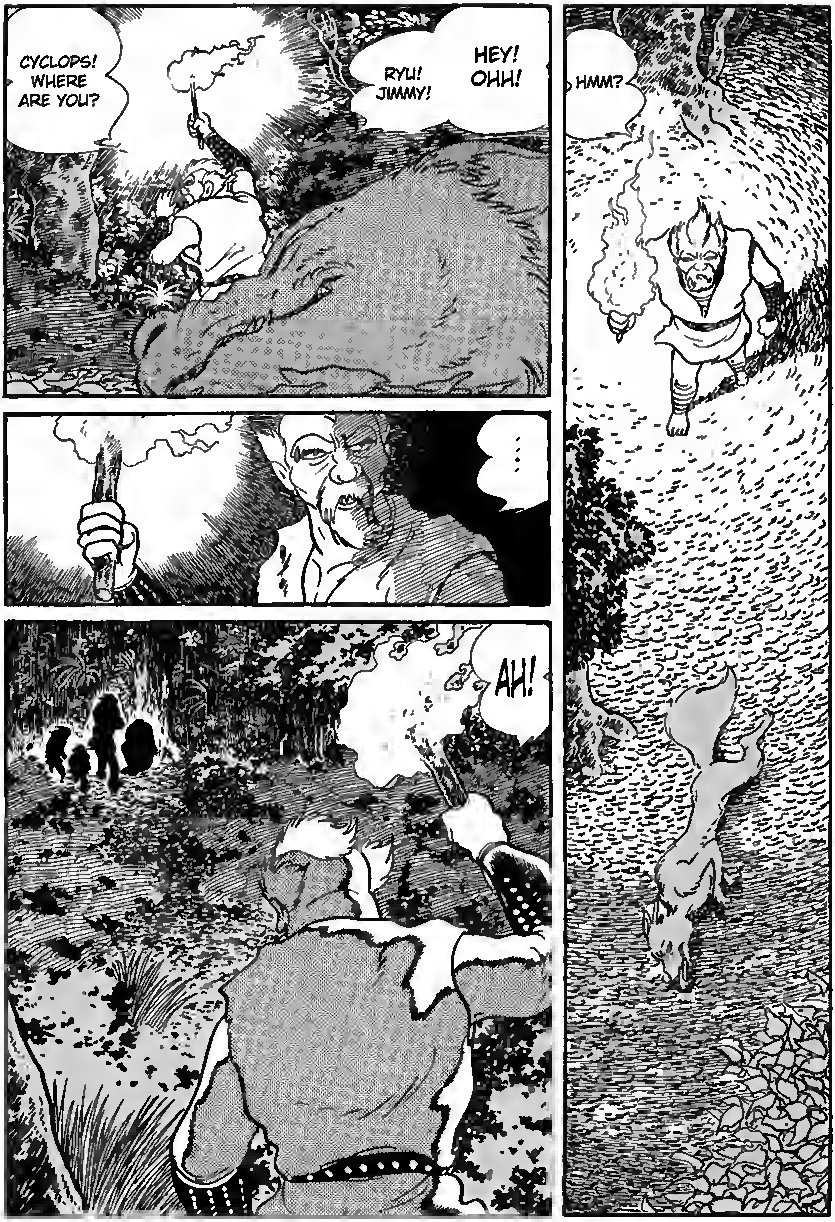
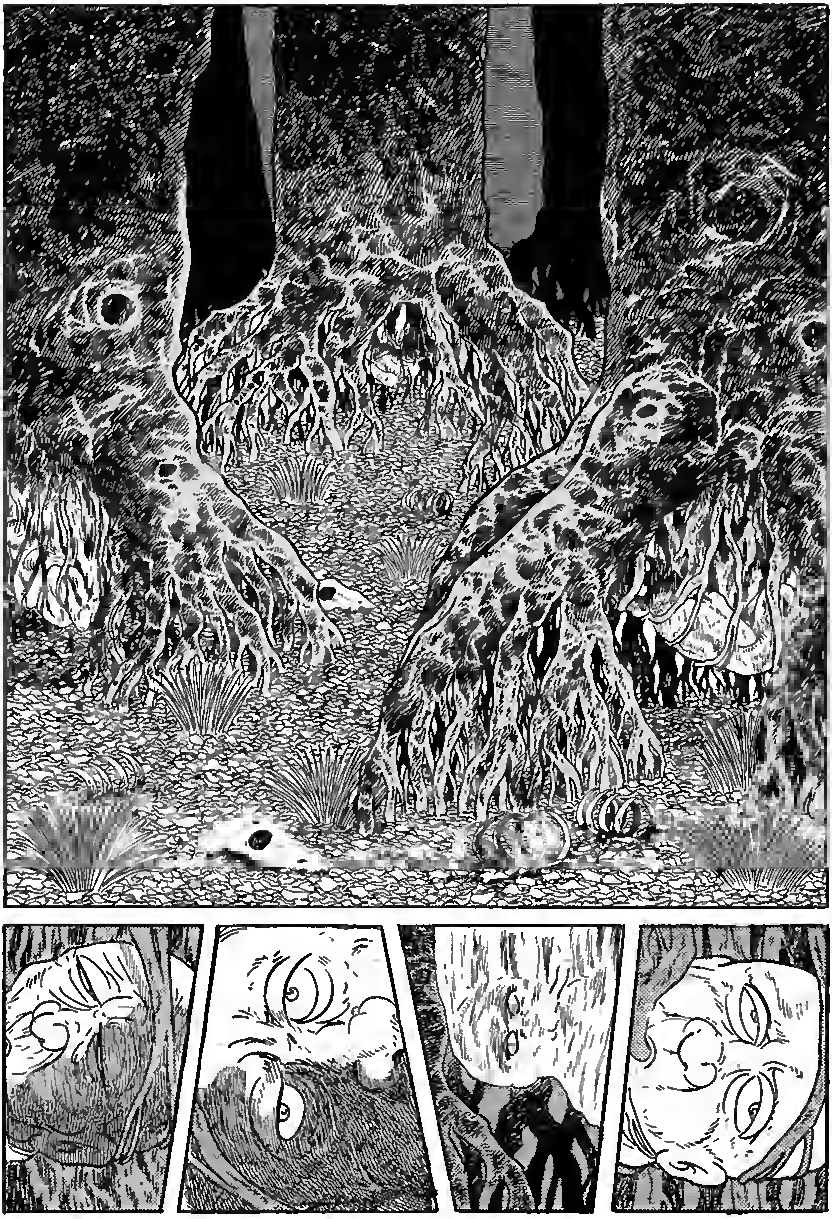
SOMETHING MUST HAVE HAPPENED?
THEY'RE LATE...
IT'S GETTING DARK NOW...

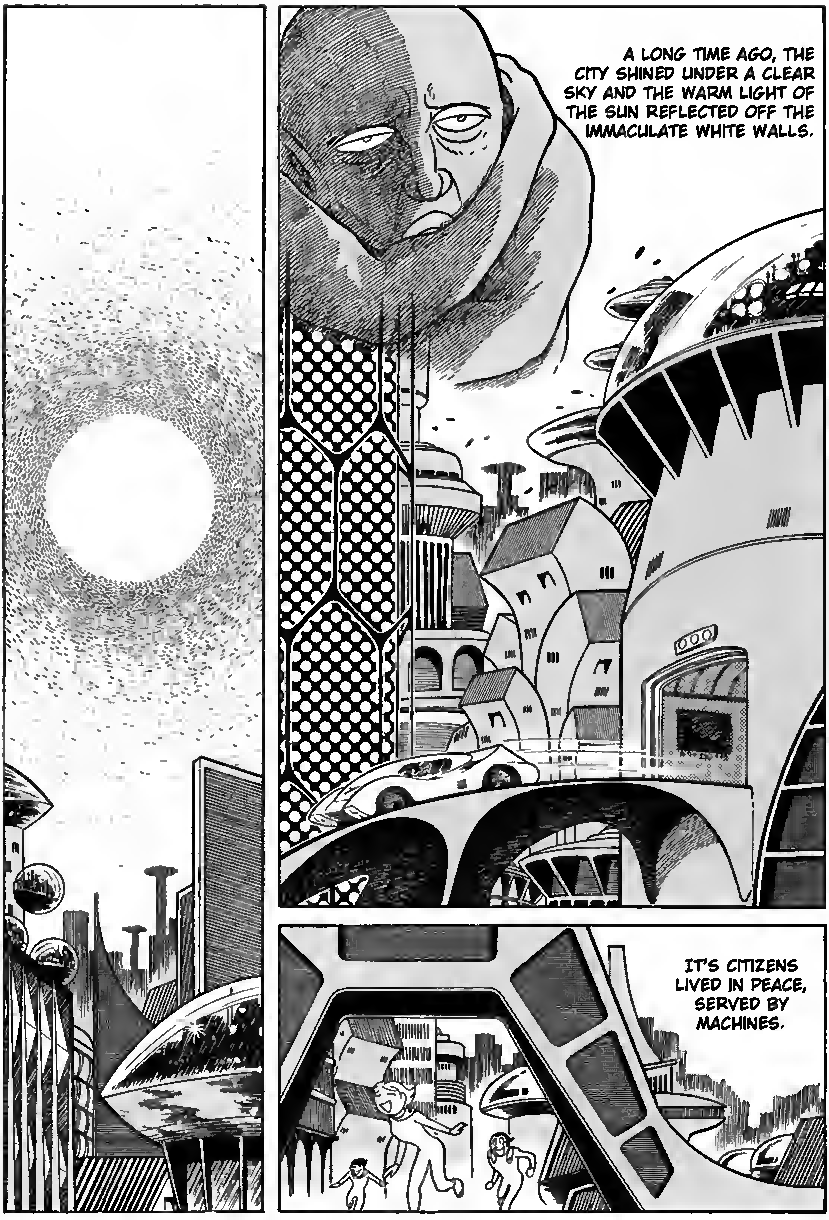
I'LL GO SEE.
STAY HERE. ALL OF YOU!

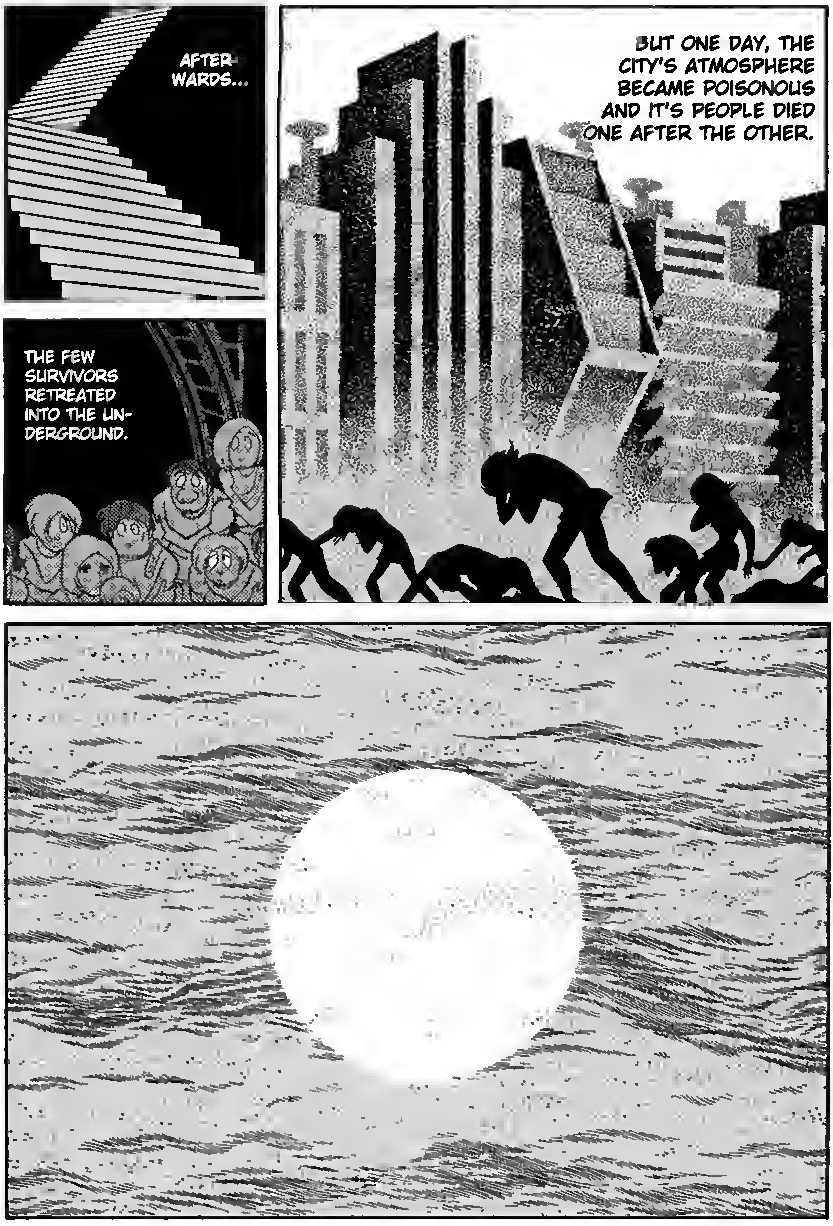

CYCLOPS! WHERE ARE YOU?
RYU! JIMMY!
HEY! OHH!
HMM?
...
AH!

GOD?
YOU!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
BEFORE I EXPLAIN, LOOK OVER THERE.
AH?
WHO'S THIS?
AH!

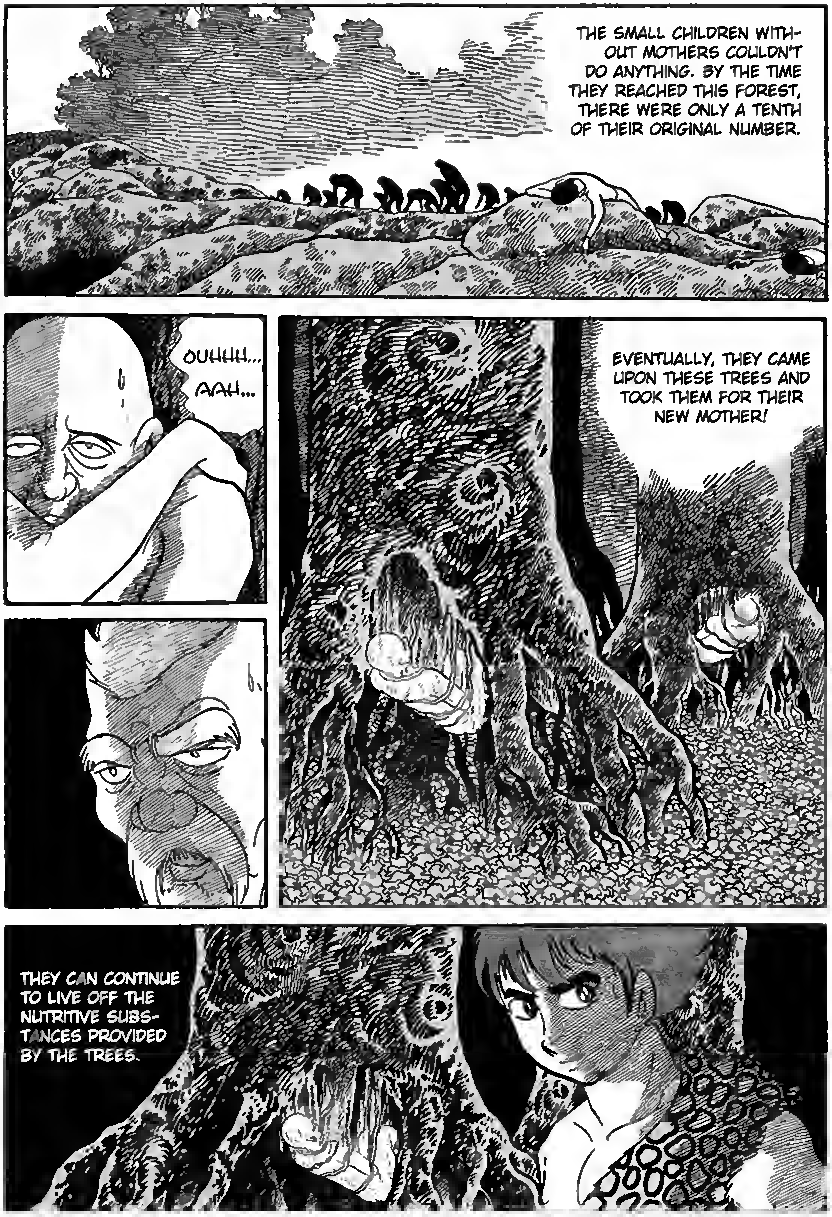


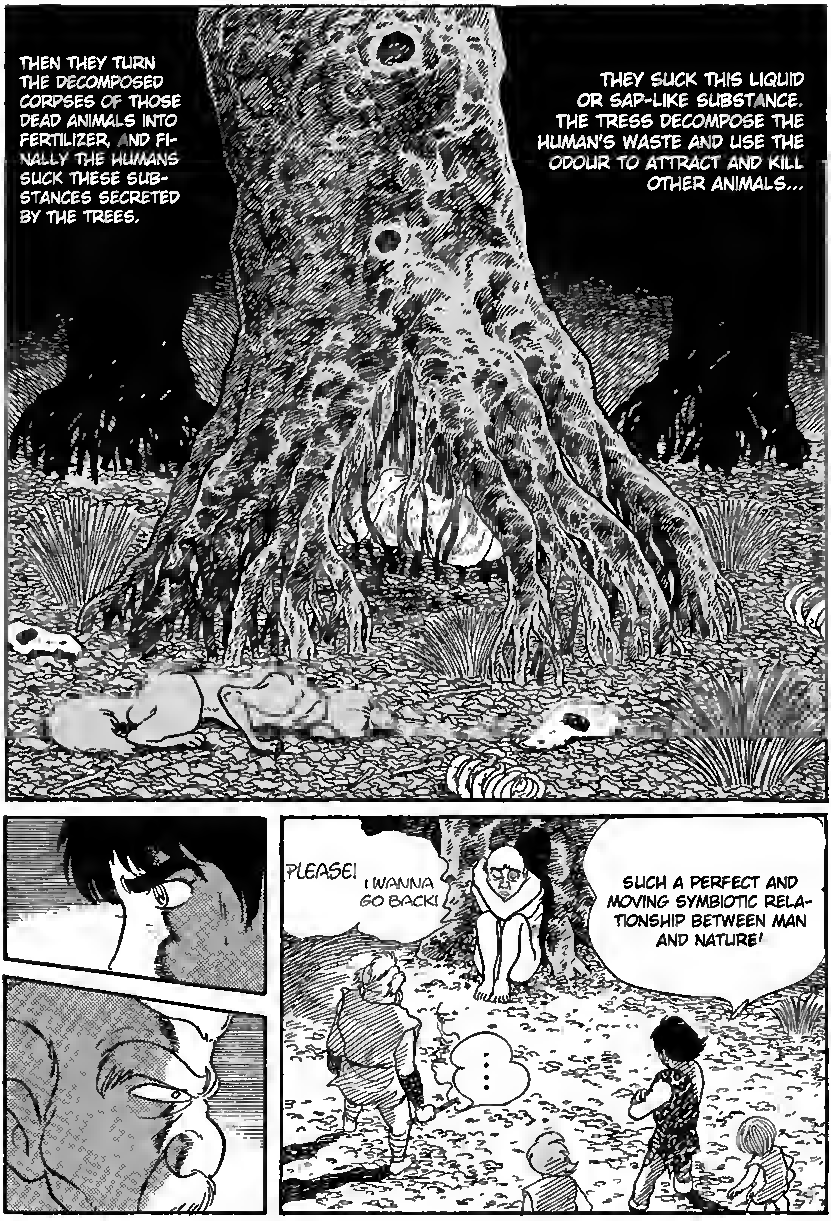
HERE'S A PERFECT EXAMPLE OF A SYMBIOTIC RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN MAN AND NATURE!
HEH-HEH...
WHO ARE THEY?
BUT WHAT ARE THEY DOING THERE?
THEY'RE ALL LOOKING AT US!?
I TOLD YOU ALL I KNOW
CAN I GO NOW?
PLEASE! I WANT TO GO BACK!
WHAT!?
LIVED IN THAT CITY OF ROBOTS.
THEIR GRAND-PARENTS...


A LONG TIME AGO, THE CITY SHINED UNDER A CLEAR SKY AND THE WARM LIGHT OF THE SUN REFLECTED OFF THE IMMACULATE WHITE WALLS.
IT'S CITIZENS LIVED IN PEACE, SERVED BY MACHINES.


AFTER-
WARDS...
THE FEW SURVIVORS RETREATED INTO THE UN-DERGROUND.
BUT ONE DAY, THE CITY'S ATMOSPHERE BECAME POISONOUS AND IT'S PEOPLE DIED ONE AFTER THE OTHER.

THEY LOST ALL DESIRE TO DO ANYTHING AND WERE ONLY ALIVE THANKS TO THE MACHINES
BUT THE ROBOTS EVENTUALLY STOPPED SERVING THE HUMANS...
AND SO THEY CHASED THEM OUT OF THE CITY. SOME TRIED TO FIGHT BACK, BUT THE CITY, ENTIRELY MAINTAINED AND RUN BY MACHINES, BECAME THEIR ENEMY. CLEARLY THE RESISTANCE WAS DOOMED FROM THE START.
IN EFFECT, HUMANS BECAME "BABIES" DEPENDANT ON THEIR "MOTHER", OR IN THIS CASE, ROBOTS.


THE SMALL CHILDREN WITHOUT MOTHERS COULDN'T DO ANYTHING. BY THE TIME THEY REACHED THIS FOREST, THERE WERE ONLY A TENTH OF THEIR ORIGINAL NUMBER.
OUHHH...
AAH...
EVENTUALLY, THEY CAME UPON THESE TREES AND TOOK THEM FOR THEIR NEW MOTHER!
THEY CAN CONTINUE TO LIVE OFF THE NUTRITIVE SUBSTANCES PROVIDED BY THE TREES.


THEN THEY TURN THE DECOMPOSED CORPSES OF THOSE DEAD ANIMALS INTO FERTILIZER, AND FINALLY THE HUMANS SUCK THESE SUBSTANCES SECRETED BY THE TREES.
THEY SUCK THIS LIQUID OR SAP-LIKE SUBSTANCE. THE TRESS DECOMPOSE THE HUMAN'S WASTE AND USE THE ODOUR TO ATTRACT AND KILL OTHER ANIMALS...
PLEASE! I WANNA GO BACK!
SUCH A PERFECT AND MOVING SYMBIOTIC RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN MAN AND NATURE!
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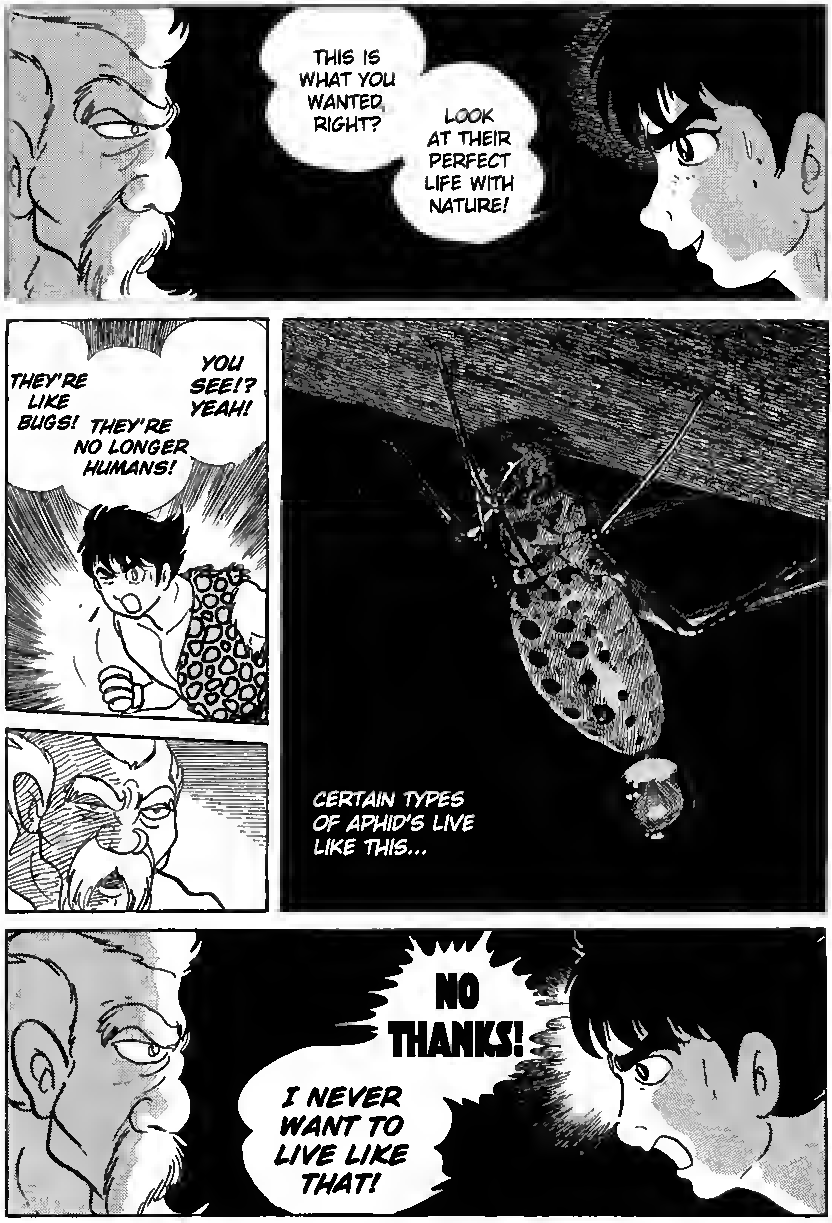
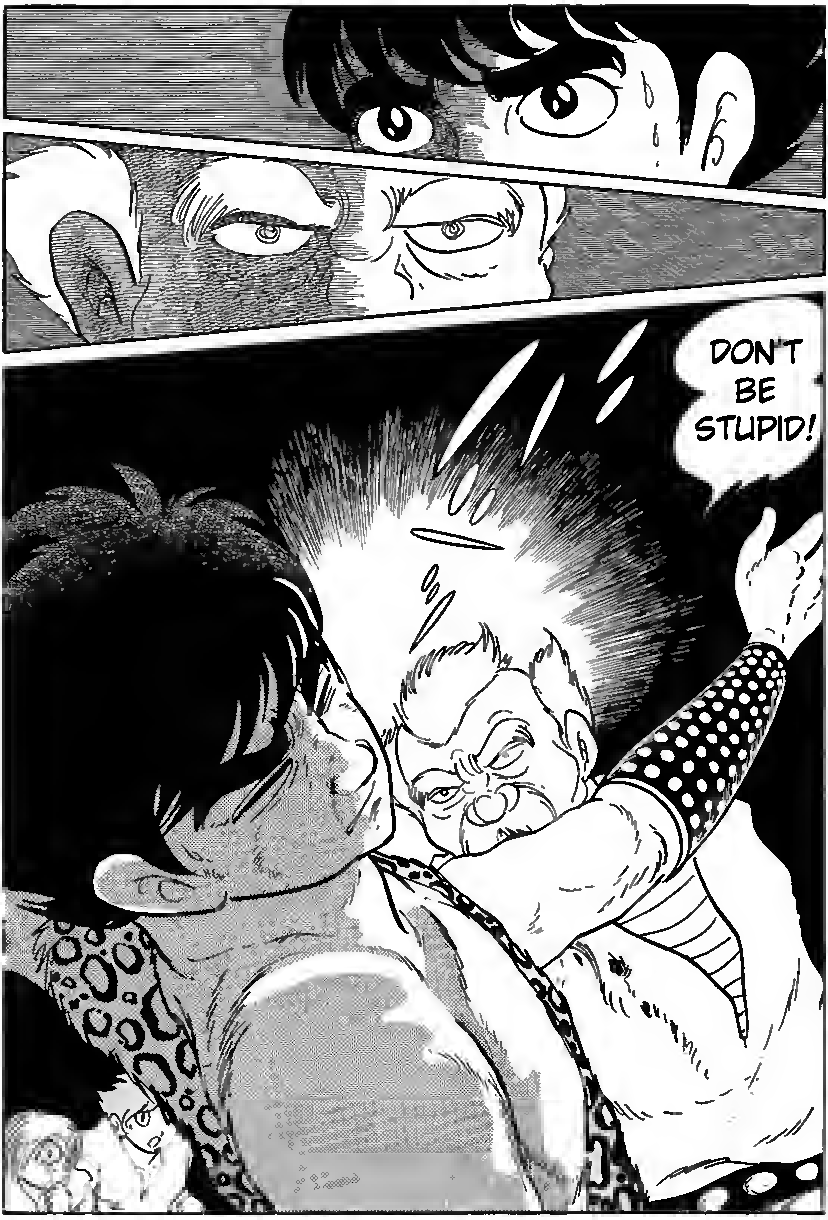
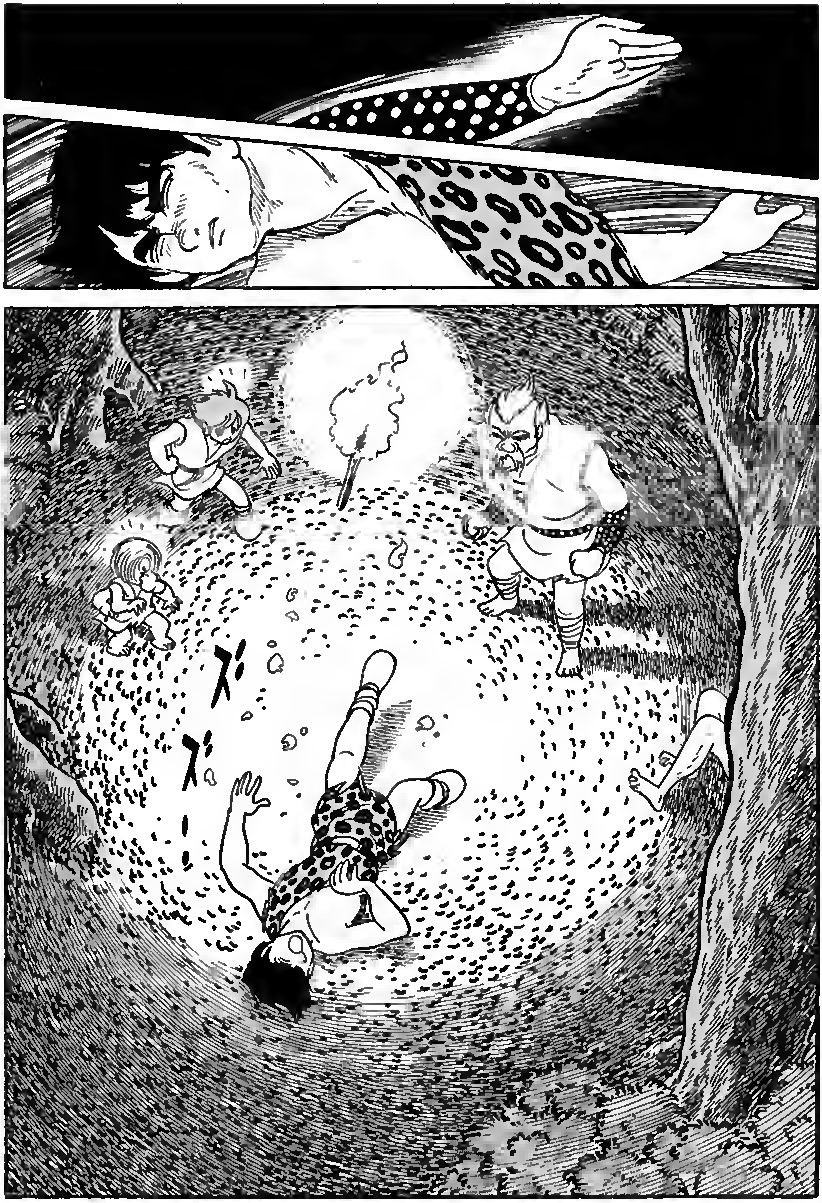

THIS IS WHAT YOU WANTED, RIGHT?
LOOK AT THEIR PERFECT LIFE WITH NATURE!
YOU SEE!? YEAH!
THEY'RE LIKE BUGS!
THEY'RE NO LONGER HUMANS!
CERTAIN TYPES OF APHID'S LIVE LIKE THIS...
NO THANKS!
I NEVER WANT TO LIVE LIKE THAT!


DON'T BE STUPID!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WHAT THE HELL...
SHIT!
SUCH PRIDE!
RYU, I'M REALLY DISAPPOINTED.
DON'T YOU SEE HOW YOU ACT, HUH?
HUMPH...
GO AHEAD, TRY ME!
AREN'T YOUR OWN!
UNLESS YOUR CHILDISH THOUGHTS...
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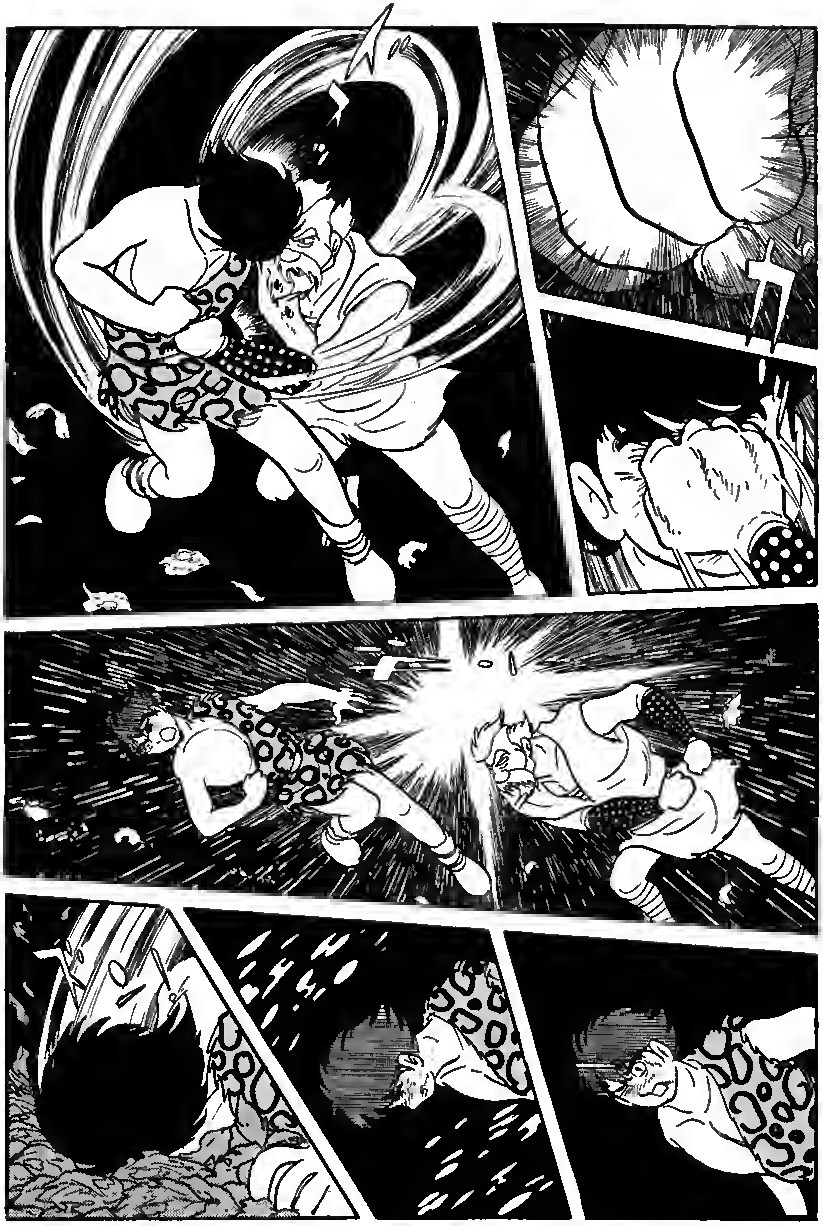


OW...
ALL BARK AND NO BITE!
WHAT? THAT'S IT!?
AND SHIT!
FUCK!
FUCK! FUCK!
AH!

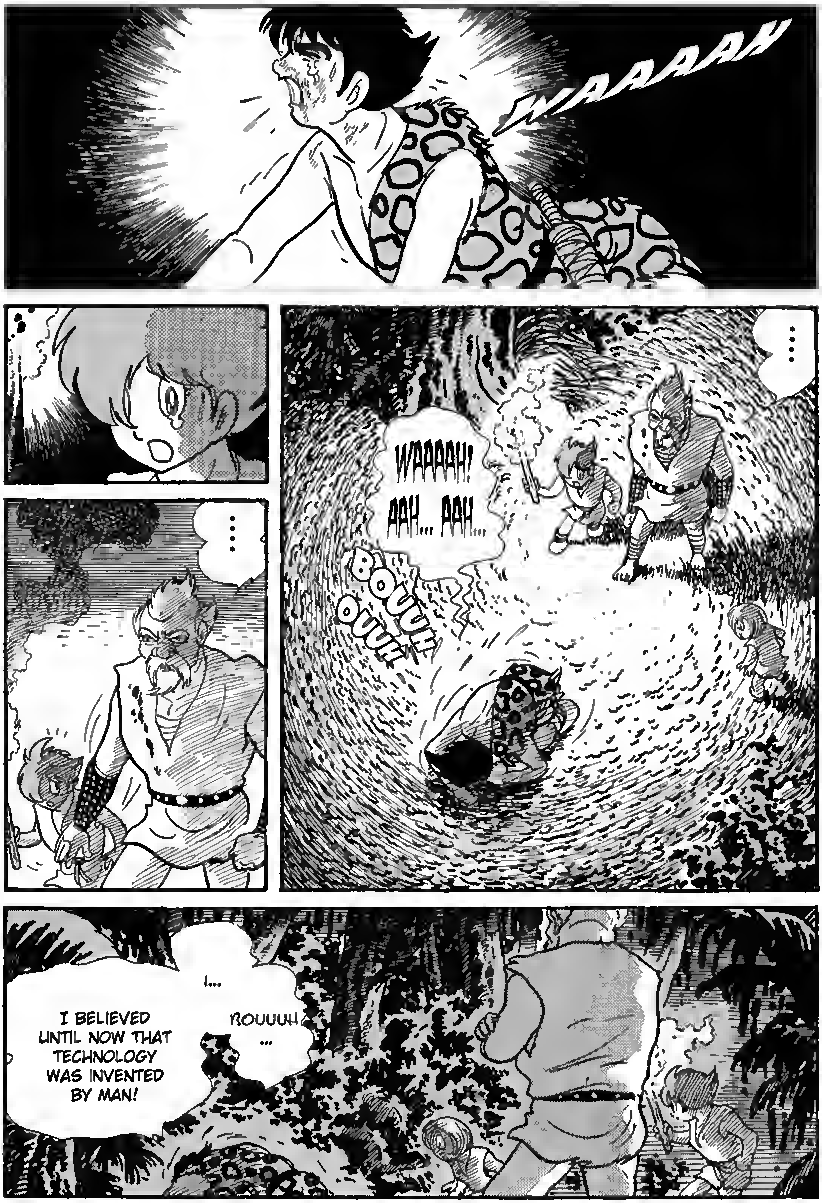
YEAH, WITH THESE FAKE METAL ARMS!
YOU TAKE IT OUT ON OTHERS WHEN YOUR THEORIES DON'T STAND!
HUMPH ... DAMN SCARED OLD MAN!
HUH?
.....
OF COURSE I ENVY YOU!
BECAUSE IT'S A REFLECTION OF TECHNOLOGY AND THUS CIVILIZATION!
HUH?
YOU ENVY THESE ARMS AND THIS BODY?
YOU ENVY ME, DON'T YOU?
I WOULDN'T HAVE TO DEAL WITH YOUR SHIT!
CAUSE IF I EVER HAVE THE SAME BODY AS YOU...
HUH ?

AAH!
LIKE THIS?
UGH...
IF I WAS, ONE PUNCH WOULD HAVE BEEN ENOUGH TO KILL HIM!
STOP, GOD!
OR ELSE, RYU'S GONNA DIE!
DON'T WORRY.
I'M NOT HITTING HARD.

YES, ONE GOOD PUNCH AND YOUR BONES WOULD HAVE SHATTERED!
OF COURSE, LIKE YOU SAID, CIVILIZATION IS VERY USEFUL.
IT OFTEN KEPT US SAFE, YOU, ME... AND THE OTHERS.
OTHERWISE, WHAT COULD YOU HAVE ACCOMPLISHED BY YOURSELF?
BUT... WHEN IT DIVERGES FROM IT'S PURPOSE, IT BECOMES A FORMIDABLE OPPONENT.
ONE WHO CAN EXTERMINATE US!
LOOK AT WHAT HAPPENED TO THAT CITY OF ROBOTS!
EVERYTHING IN THAT CITY WAS IN LEAGUE AGAINST THE HUMANS! THERE WAS NOTHING BUT INVINCIBLE ROBOTS GONE MAD!
DESPITE THAT, THE FACT IS YOU WERE IN BLISS OVER FINDING THESE MACHINES.
LIKE A BABY FINDING HIS MOTHER'S BREAST...
YOU'RE HOOKED TO THAT CITY.
YOU ABSOLUTELY WANTED IT TO SURVIVE!
JUST THAT, IS ALL RIGHT.
I UNDERSTAND.
CAUSE IT WAS THE CIVILIZATION YOU WERE DREAMING OF.
BUT...

YOU STILL CONTINUE WITH YOUR ILLUSIONS!
AND AFTER IT WAS REDUCED TO DUST WITH MUCH EFFORT...
EVEN AFTER KNOWING IT WAS A SERIOUS THREAT...
FOR EXAMPLE, I DUG THROUGH THE RUINS FOR ANY-THING THAT COULD BE OF USE TO US.
YOU DIDN'T CARE, BUT I DIDN'T MIND.
IT'S WHY I ALWAYS ACT ON YOUR BEHALF.
CAUSE YOUR DREAMS ARE BROKEN!
I PITY YOU...
YOU INSULT ME!
AND EXAGGE-RATED THEM...
YOU TWISTED MY WORDS...
AS YOU BENEFIT FROM MY SUPPORT...
DO YOU REALIZE WHAT YOU WERE DOING?

I DON'T CARE IF YOU INSULT ME...
IF IT'S JUSTI-FIED.
BUT I WON'T TOLERATE YOU LASHING OUT YOUR ANGER AT ME.
YES...
LIKE A DUMB BRAT!
FOR A MAGICAL DEITY WHO CAN CHANGE THE WORLD!
LIKE A BRAT WHO MIS-TAKES A PEBBLE ..
YOU MADE SO MUCH NOISE FOR NO-THING...
I MYSELF GROW ENRAGED.
I, WHO BELIEVED YOU WERE A MAN I CAN BELIEVE IN AND WHO I CAN TRAVEL WITH...
YOU TALK ABOUT DISAPPOINT-MENT...
AN EGOCENTRIC AND SELFISH COWARD!
IS NOTHING BUT...
THAT THE MAN WHO I THOUGHT I CAN FIGHT ALONGSIDE WITH...


WAAAAH
WAAAAH!
AAH... AAH...
OOUUU
OUUU
...
...
I BELIEVED UNTIL NOW THAT TECHNOLOGY WAS INVENTED BY MAN!
!...
ROUUUH!
...

I THOUGHT TECHNOLOGY WAS SYNONYMOUS WITH CIVILIZATION!
I REALLY BELIEVED I FOUND WHAT I WAS LOOKING FOR!
AND I DIDN'T DOUBT FOR A SECOND THAT I FINISHED MY QUEST!
IN THE END, MY DREAMS WERE BROKEN...
AND IN THE END...
SORRY, GOD!
FORGIVE ME!
I KNEW SOMETHING WAS WRONG...
BUT I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT ELSE TO DO
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I'M OKAY.
CAUSE YOU HELD BACK.
HE HE
CAN YOU STAND?
YES.
THEY'RE EXPECTING US.
AL-RIGHT. LET'S GET BACK.
QUITE THE MASSAGE!
I DEFINITELY FELT IT!
INDEED.
BUT IT TAKES A LOT OF STRENGTH TO STILL BE ABLE TO WALK AFTER THAT.
AH!
LOOK!
HA HA HA!
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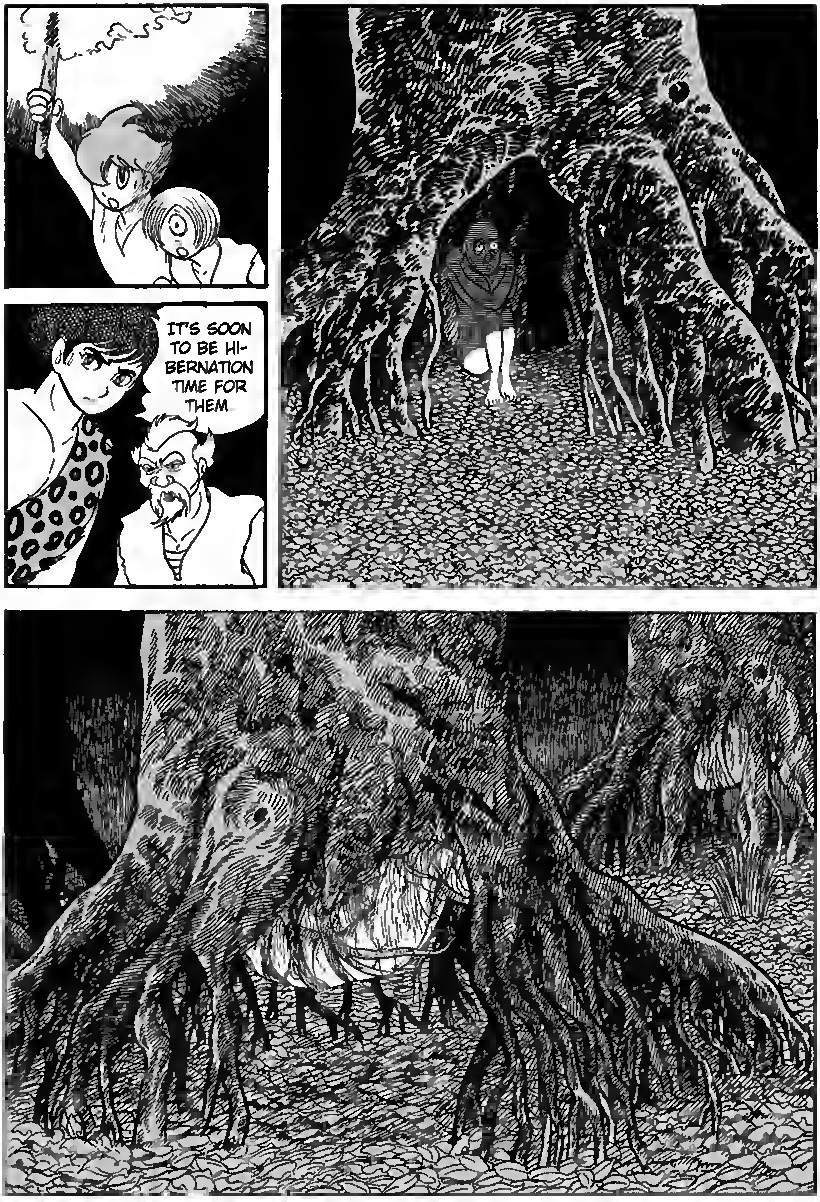
HEH HEH HEH.


IT'S SOON TO BE HI-BERNATION TIME FOR THEM.

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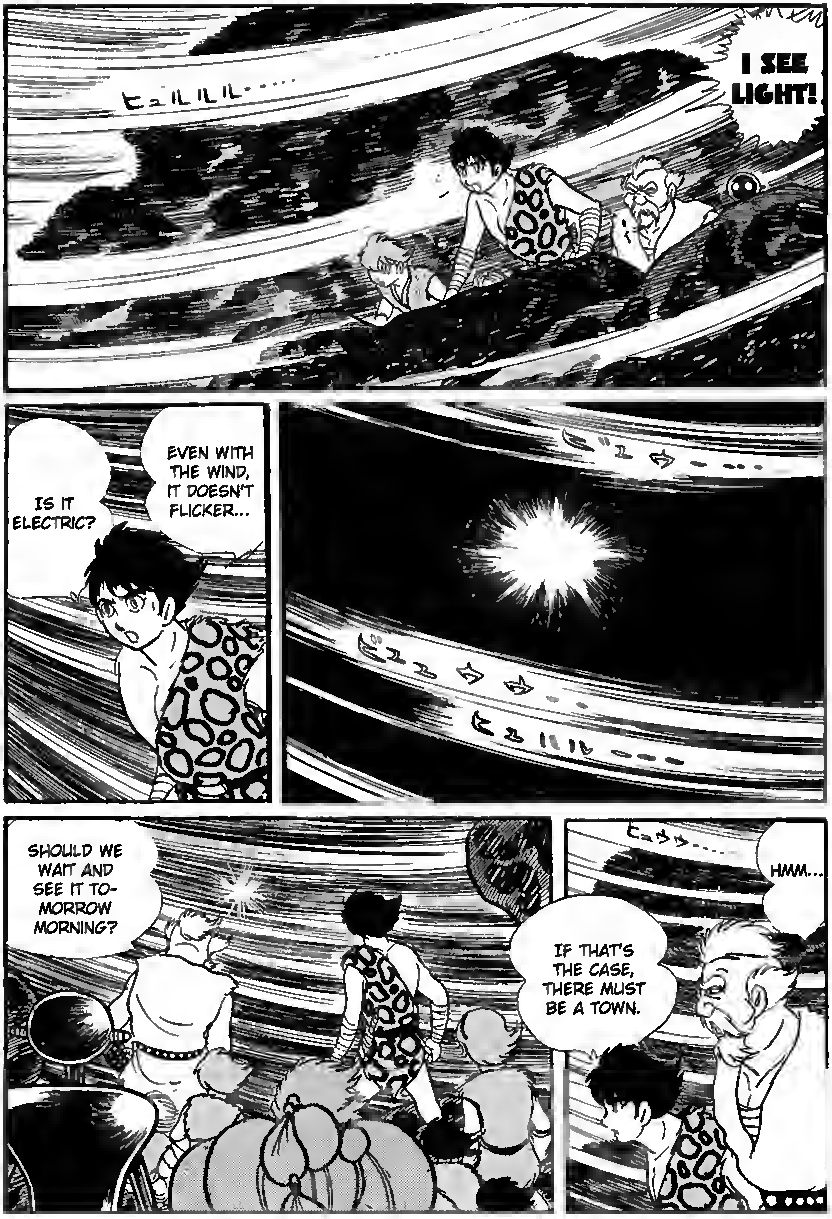
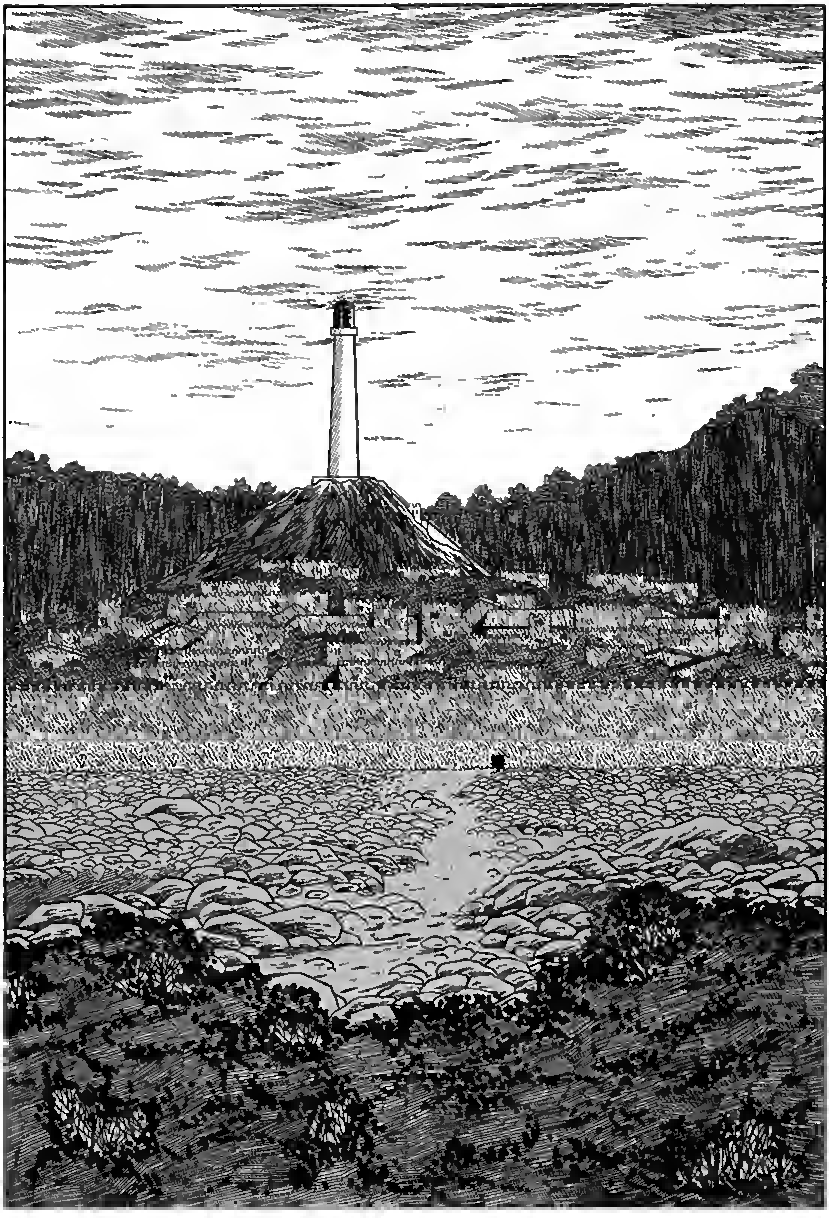
THE TOWN OF GOD AND THE DEVIL


I SEE LIGHT!
EVEN WITH THE WIND, IT DOESN'T FLICKER...
IS IT ELECTRIC?
SHOULD WE WAIT AND SEE IT TO-MORROW MORNING?
IF THAT'S THE CASE, THERE MUST BE A TOWN.
HMM...

WE'LL HAVE TO FIND SHELTER FOR TONIGHT.



IT'S REALLY A TOWN!

HUH ?
THERE'S SOMETHING FISHY ABOUT THOSE WALLS
AN ELECTRIC LIGHT! WE DIDN'T SEE ANYTHING ELSE BECAUSE OF THOSE HIGH WALLS!
THE LIGHT FROM LAST NIGHT WAS COMING FROM THAT TOWER.
I DON'T LIKE THE IDEA OF THEM.
LIKE A VILLAGE OF THE MIDDLE AGES!
TRAPPED THEMSELVES IN A CAGE!
THESE PEOPLE...
BUT... THESE PEOPLE LIVING THERE...
TO PROTECT OURSELVES FROM INVASIONS.
WE BUILT BORDER WALLS...
BUT THAT WALL...
YOU'RE ALWAYS SO SUSPICIOUS!
HA HA!
HUH?
PERHAPS... ANYWAYS, SINCE WE'RE HERE, WE CAN SEE FOR OURSELVES!
CAUSE IN A SAVAGE WORLD, ANY FEROCIOUS BEAST CAN KILL A HUMAN!
PROTECTS THE PEOPLE BEHIND IT.

PEKI?
AAH!
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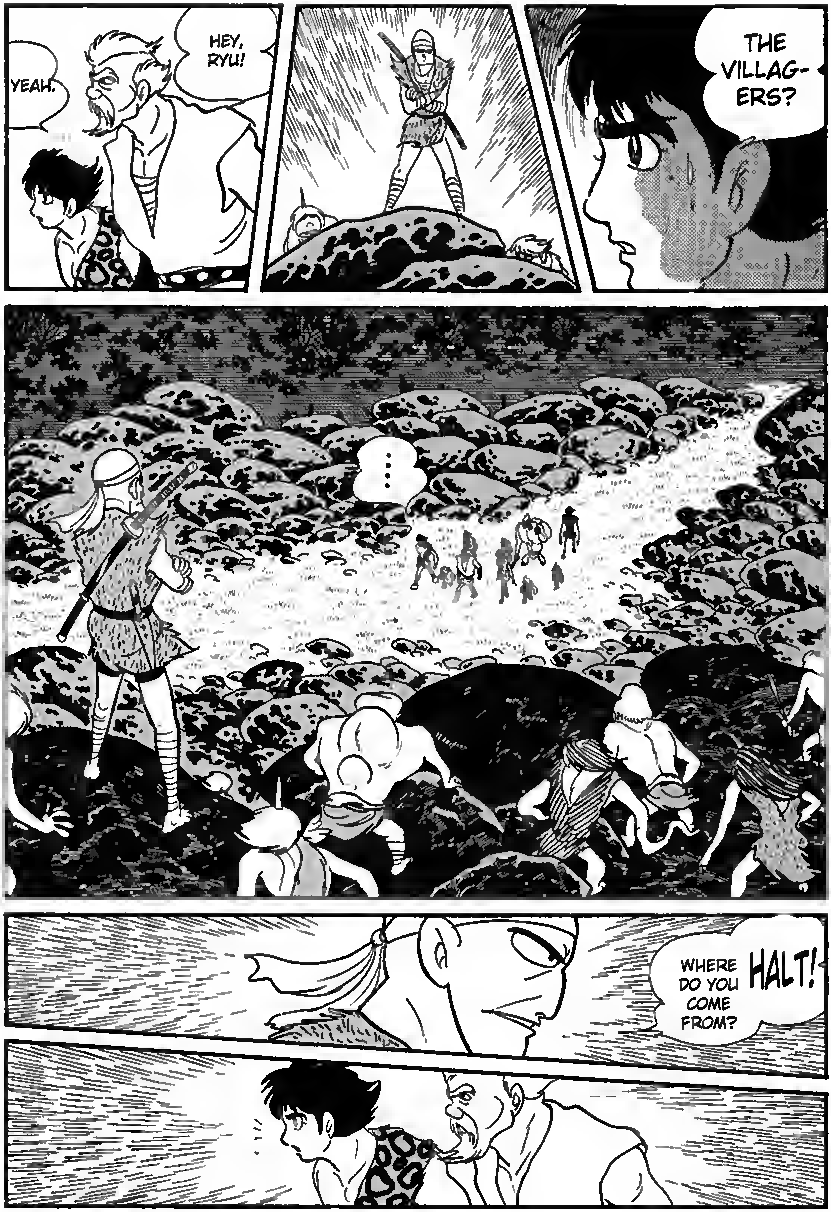
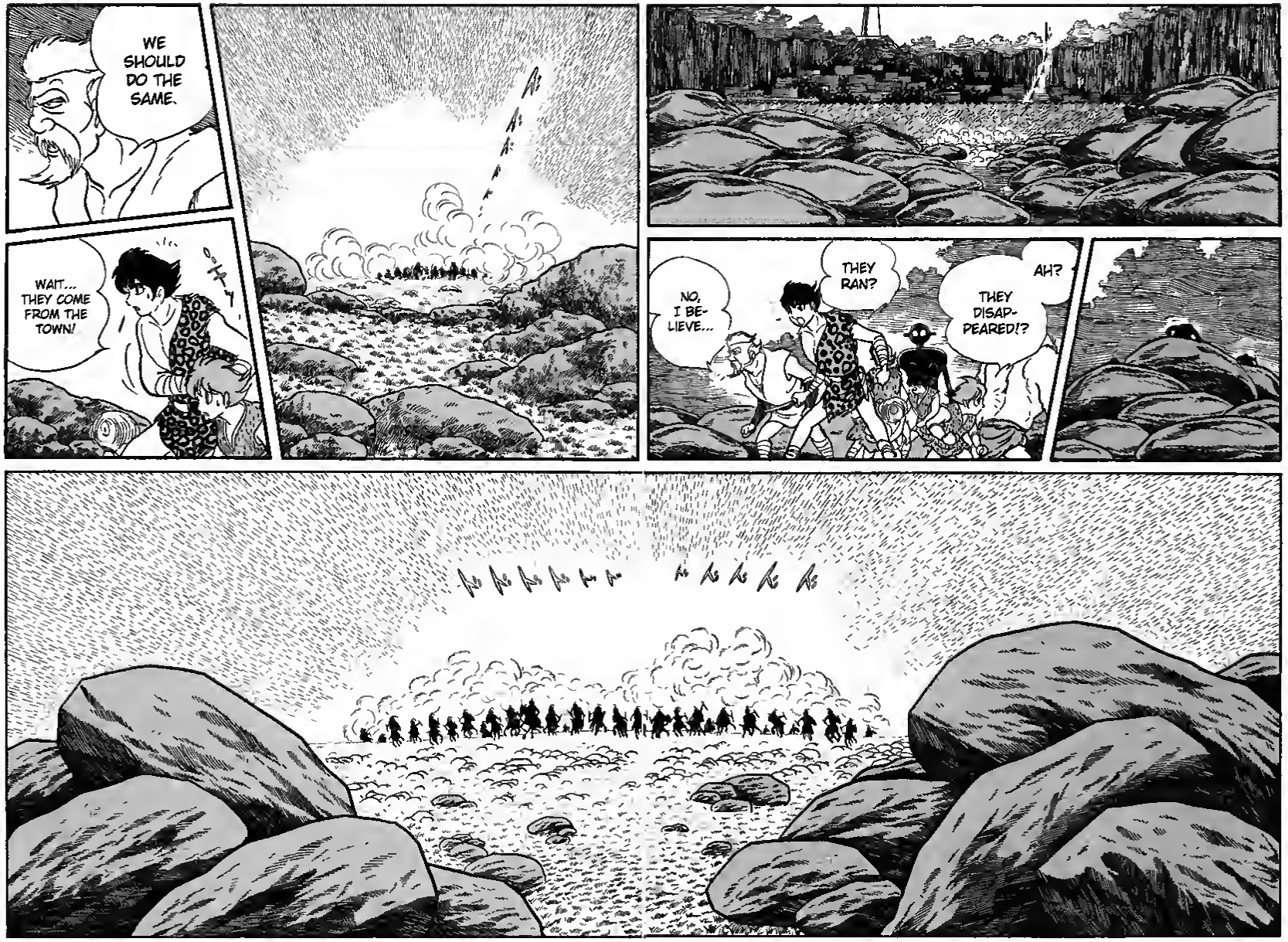
AAH!
?
BE CAREFUL!
I KNOW! LET'S GO!
ALMOST THERE!
AH!

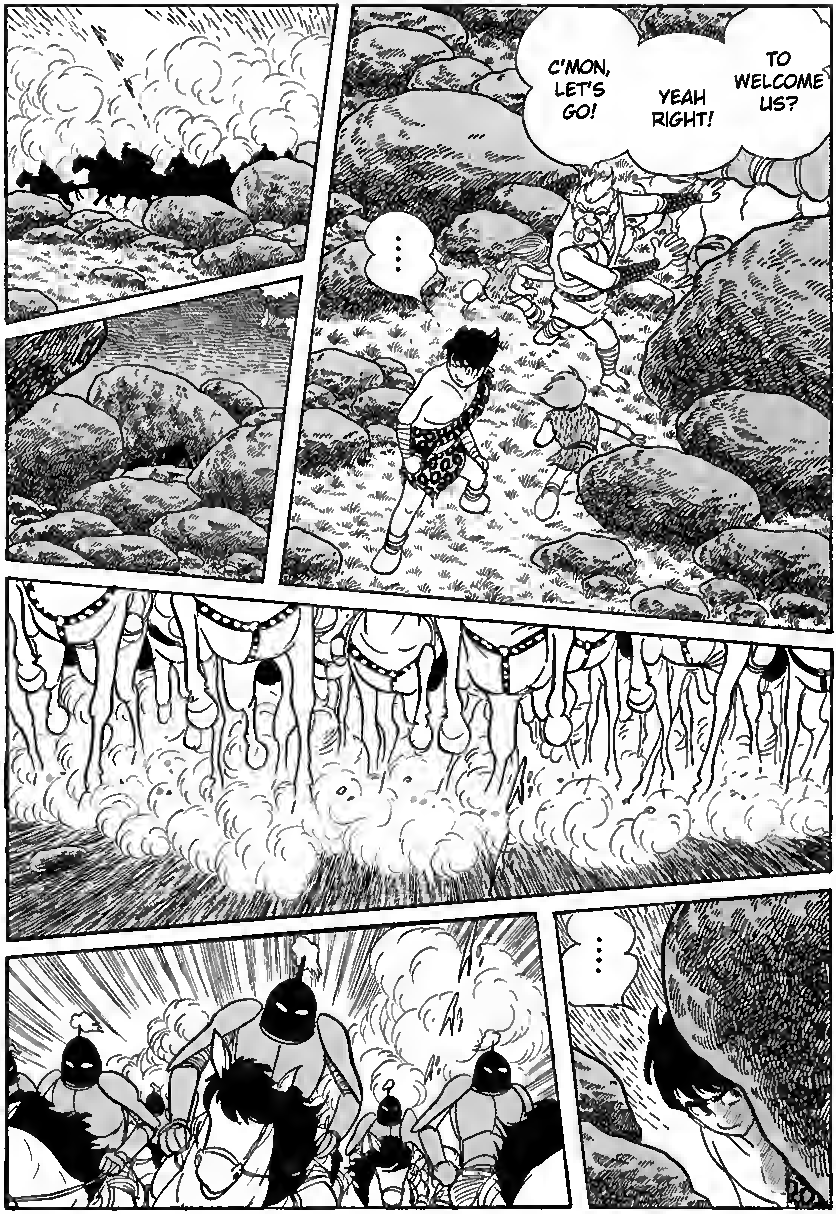

YEAH.
HEY, RYU!
THE VILLAG-ERS?
...
WHERE DO YOU COME FROM?
HALT!

YOU WANT TO ENTER?
A TOWN? HUH?
WE'VE BEEN TRAVELLING TO FIND A TOWN.
FAR AWAY... VERY FAR AWAY.
YOU LIVE THERE, I PRESUME?
YES.
SAY AGAIN !?
WHAT !!
BUT IF YOU WANT TO...
LEAVE THAT LITTLE FOUR ARMED CYCLOPS!
WHO WANTS TO LIVE IN THERE!?
MY ADVICE IS TO NEVER STEP ONE FOOT IN THERE!

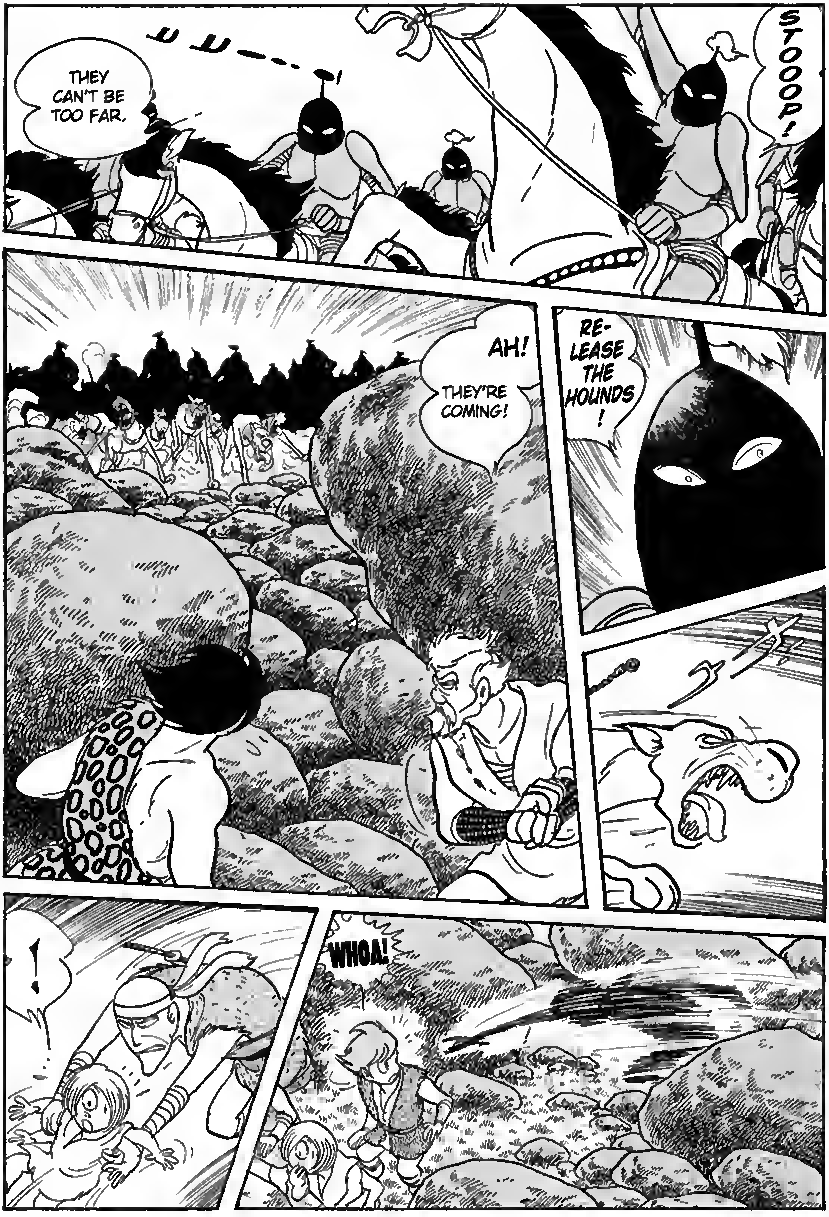
BECAUSE HE'S ONE OF US!
WHY NOT ?
WE WON'T DO IT!
NEVER!
WHAT DID YOU WANT TO DO TO HIM?
HUH?
WHAT A STUPID QUESTION!
IF YOU DON'T WANT TO LEAVE HIM...
DAMN!
HMM !?

HMM?
AH!
HO
HO
HO
YEAAAH!

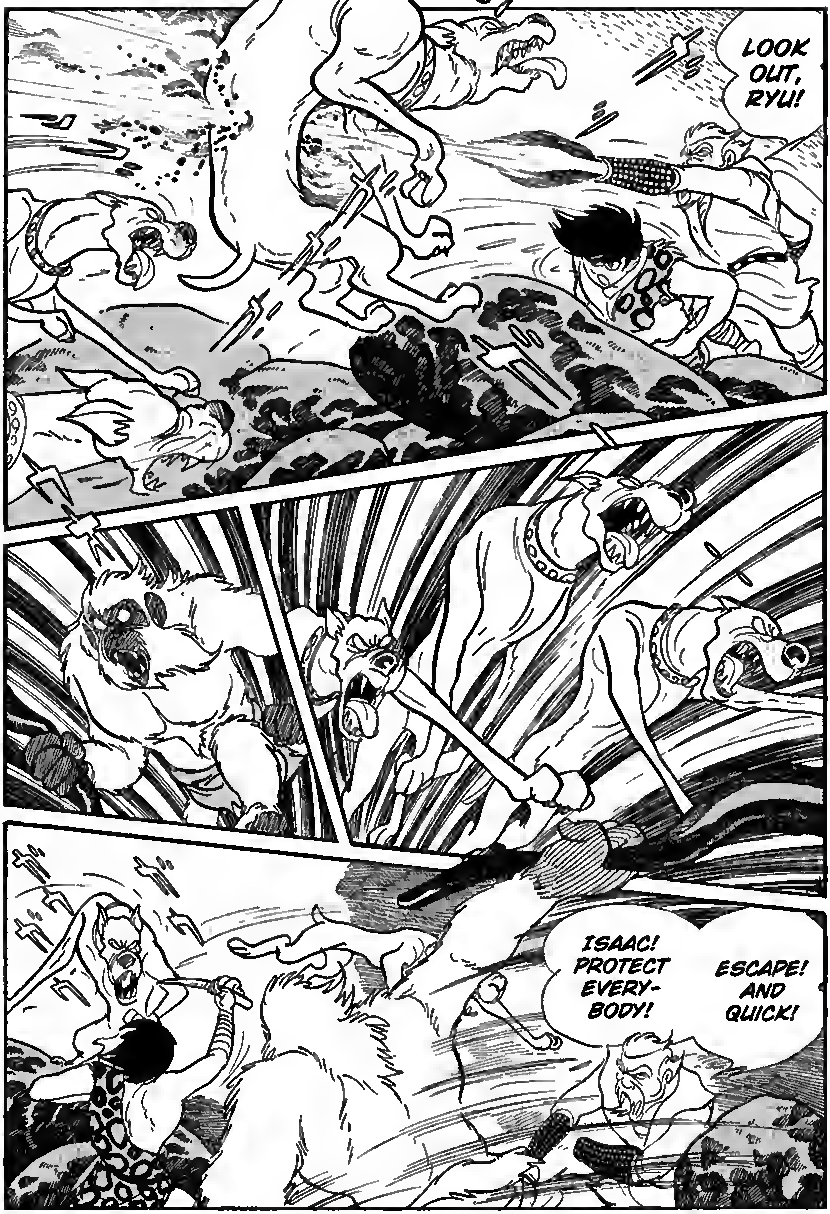

WE SHOULD DO THE SAME.
WAIT... THEY COME FROM THE TOWN!
NO, I BE-LIEVE...
THEY RAN?
AH?
THEY DISAP-PEARED!?


C'MON, LET'S GO!
YEAH RIGHT!
TO WELCOME US?
...
...

THEY HAVE DOGS!


THEY CAN'T BE TOO FAR.
STOOP!
AH!
THEY'RE COMING!
RE-LEASE THE HOUNDS!
!
WHOA!

AH!
WAIT!
HE TOOK CY-CLOPS!
AH!
LOOK!
THERE THEY ARE!
WAIT!
WE'RE NOT...


LOOK OUT, RYU!
ISAAC! PROTECT EVERY-BODY!
ESCAPE! AND QUICK!

HURRY!
RYU!
PEKII
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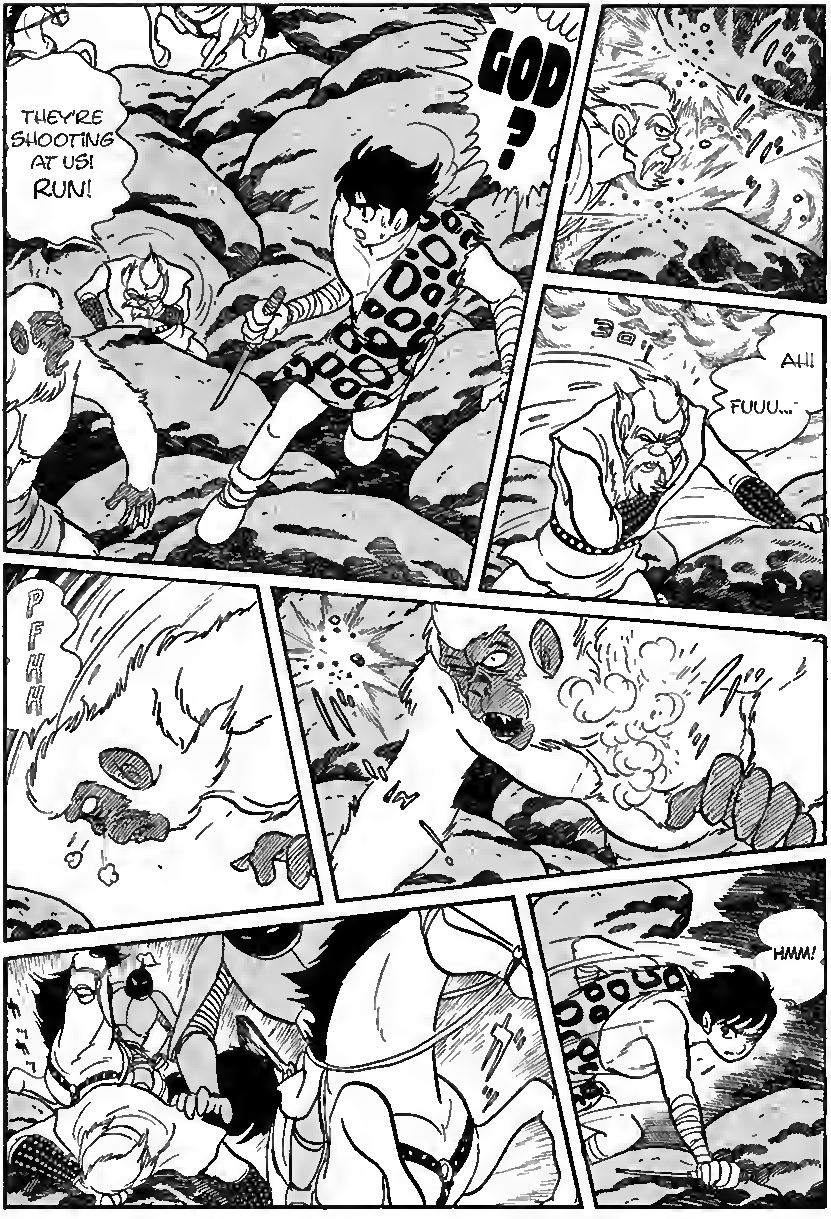
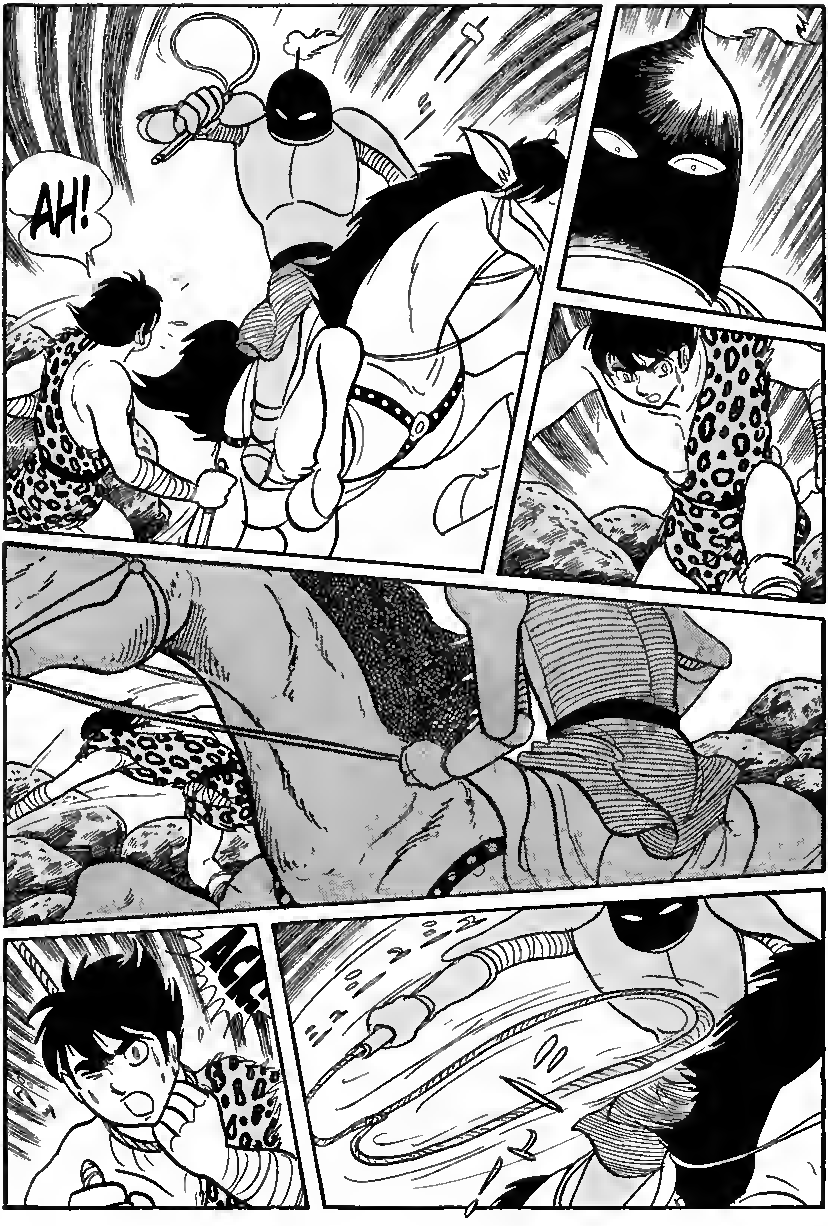
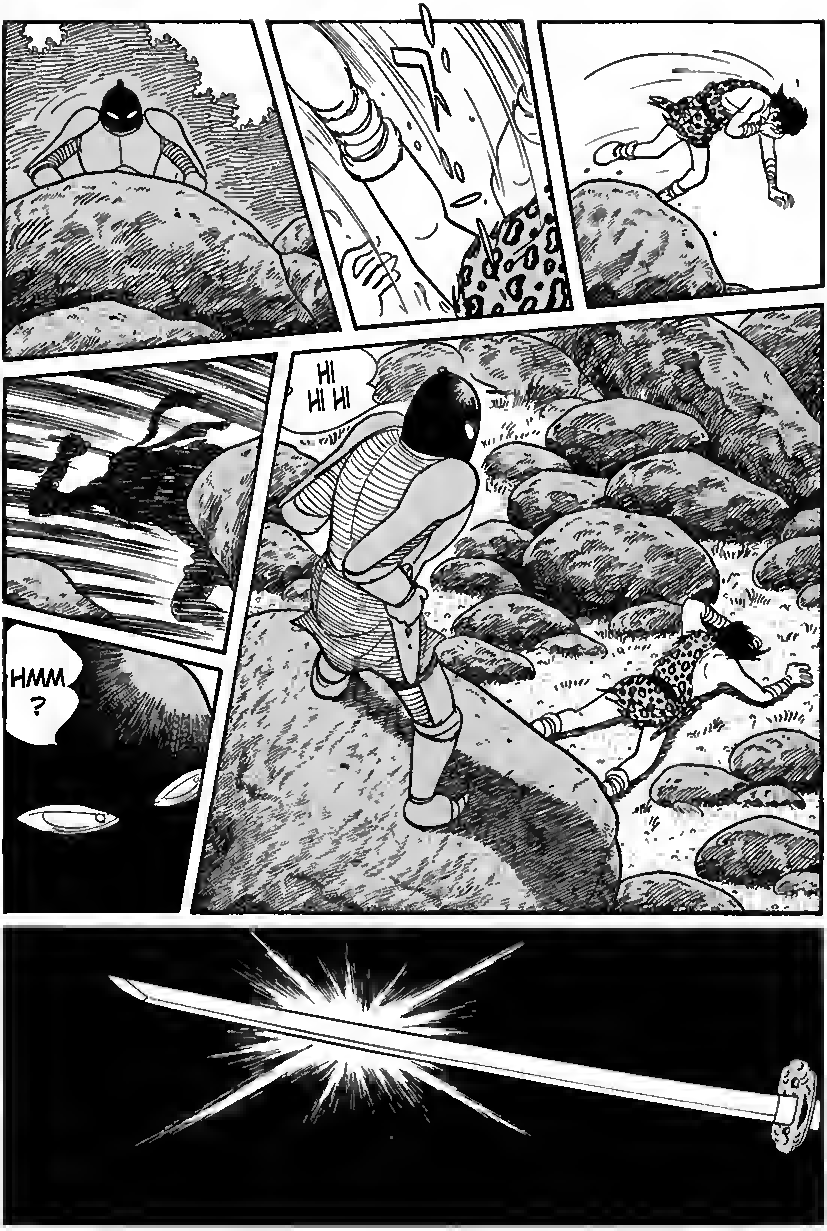

THEY'RE SHOOTING AT US! RUN!
GOD?
AH!
FUUU...
PFHH
HMM!


AH!

MHH!
WHOA!
HMM?
EIII!


HI
HI HI
HMM
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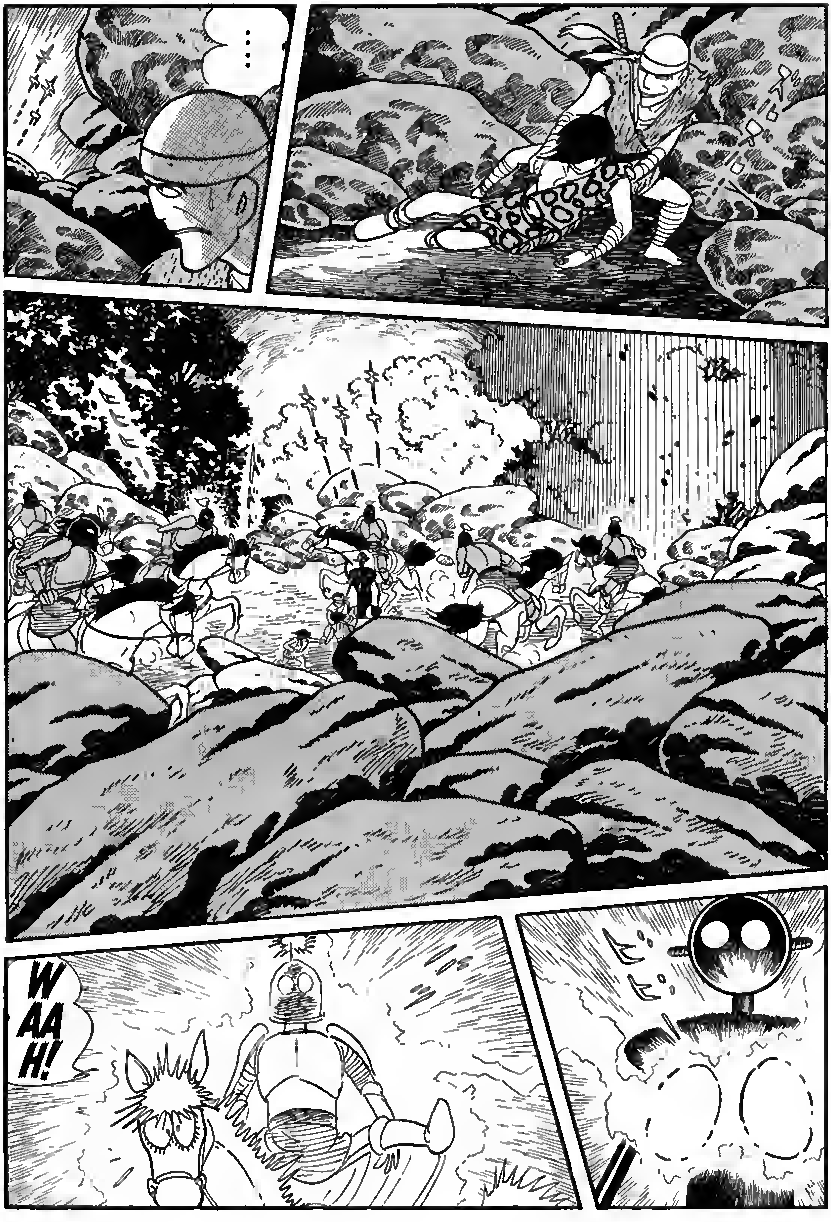
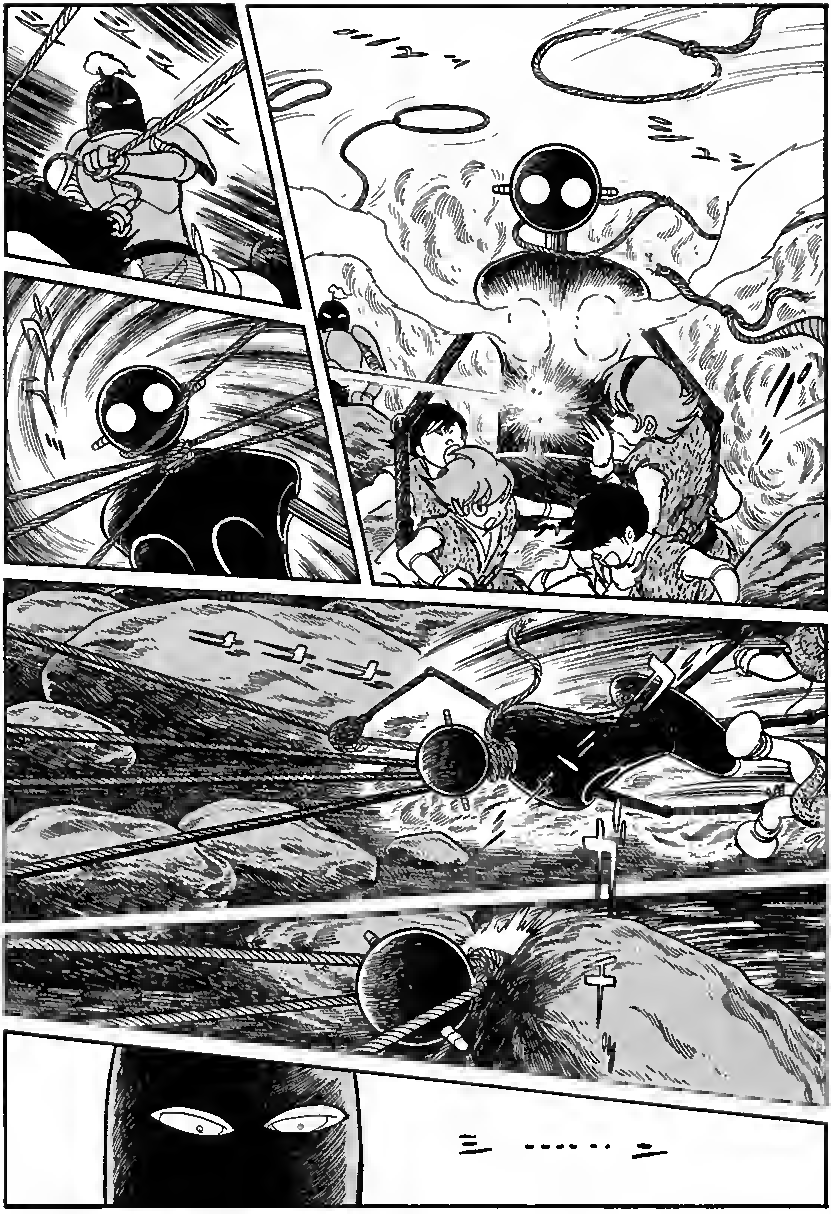
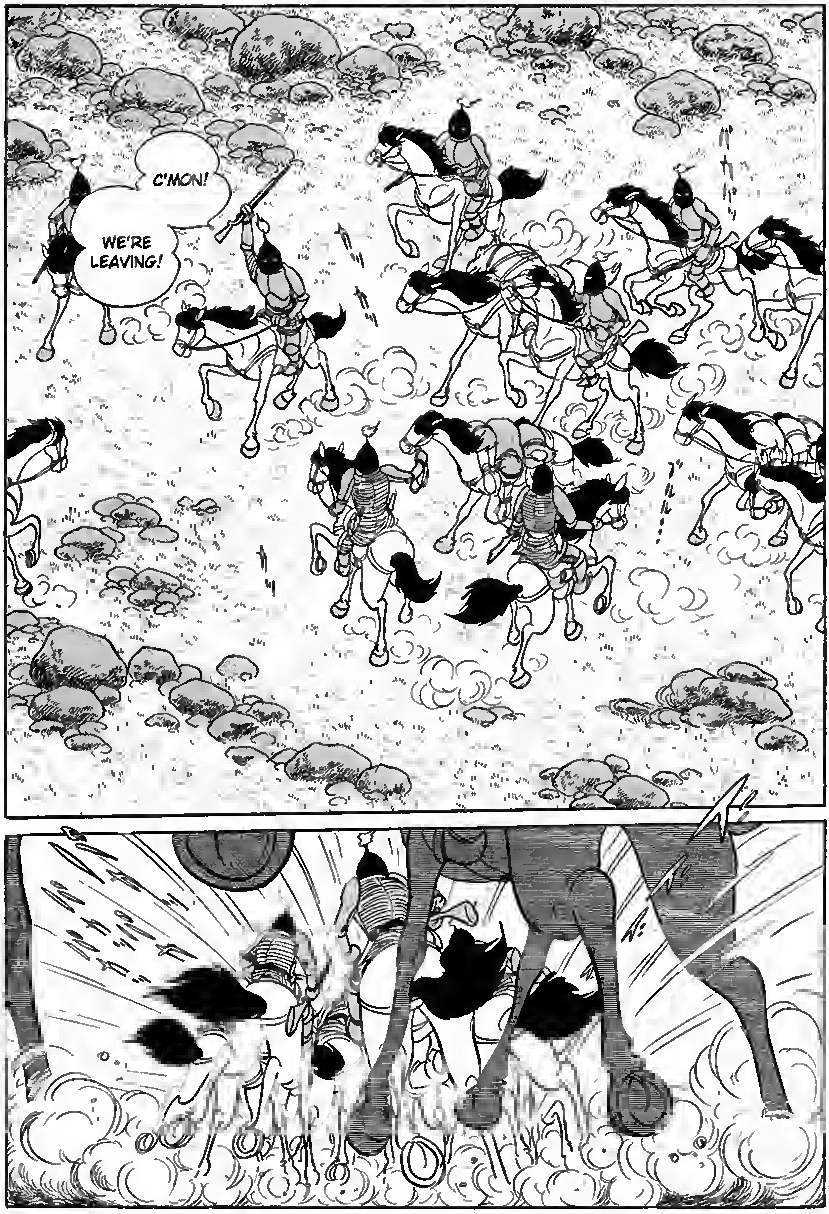
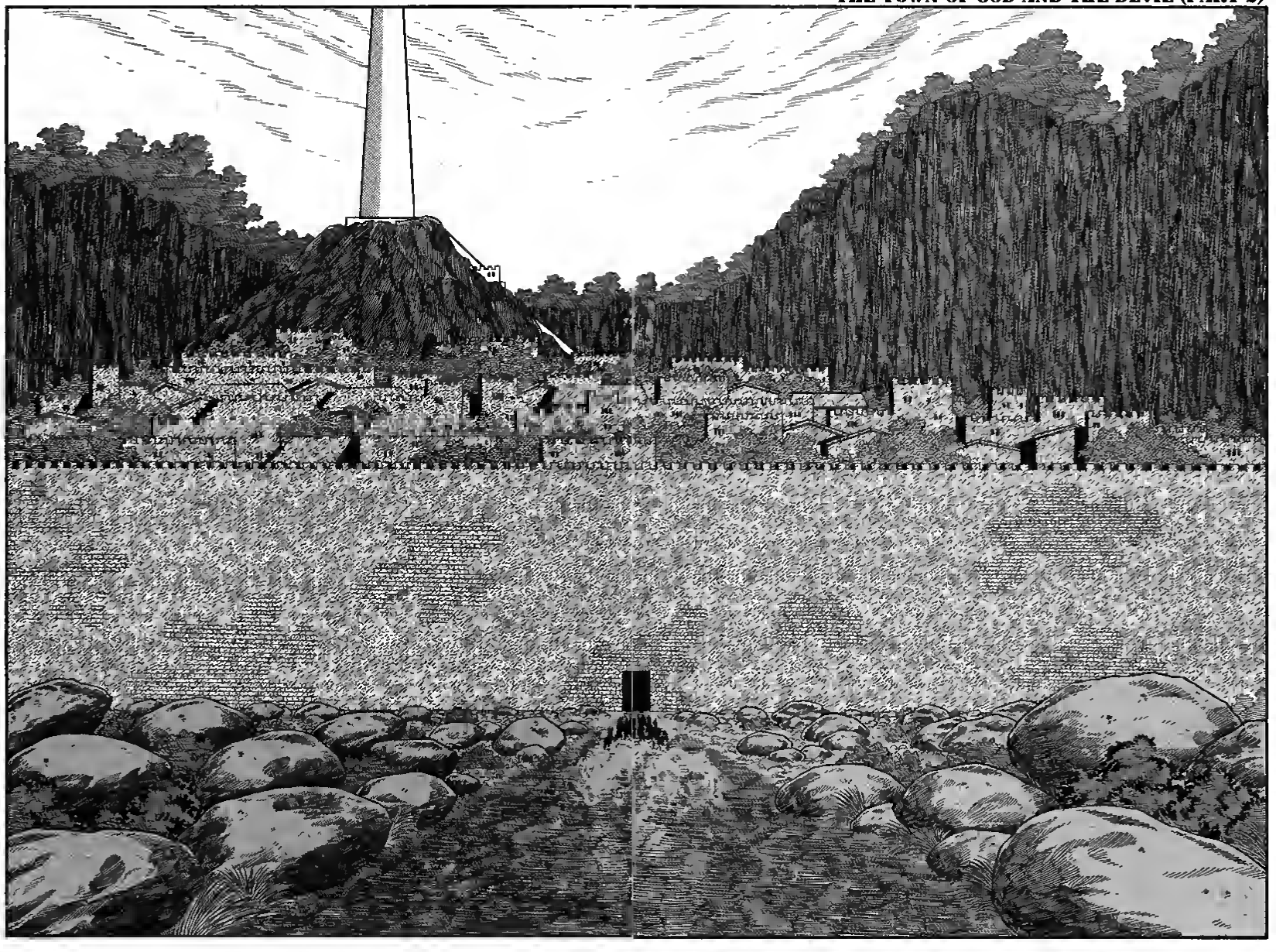
HUH?


WAAH!




C'MON!
WE'RE LEAVING!



WHERE IS EVERY-ONE?
AH !?
CYCLOPS ?
RYU !!
RYU!
THEY WERE CAPTURED AND BROUGHT INTO TOWN.
HMM...
WHAT !?

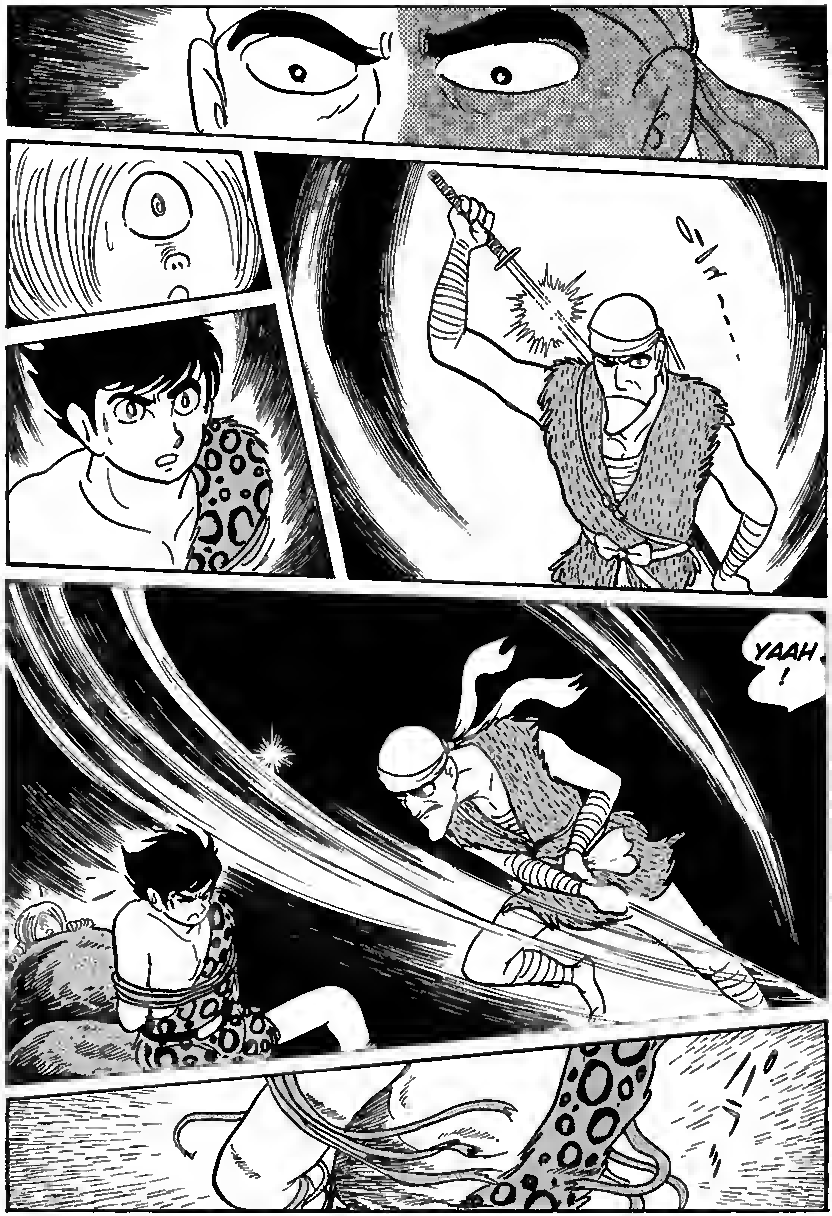
WHAT DID YOU SAY?
THEY WERE BROUGHT INTO THE TOWN?
HE'S BROKEN !?
ISAAC!?
FIRE PUPPET?
EXCEPT THE BROKEN FIRE PUPPET OVER THERE.
YEP, ALL OF 'EM!

I SAVED YOU.
SO YOU SHOULD BE THANKING ME!
HUH?
AND WHY AM I HERE?
THEN WHY AM I TIED UP?
YOU SAY "SAVE"?
YOU SAVED ME?
YOU'RE A LOT LIKE THE VILLAGERS OF THAT TOWN!
AFTER A QUICK LOOK, YOU AREN'T LIKE US. SEEMS TO ME...
AND ...
HUH?
CAUSE IT'D BE A HASSLE IF YOU STARTED MAKING TROUBLE!
?
I'LL EXPLAIN, RYU.

MUTANTS! SO...
THEY THROW THE MUTANT BABIES OUTSIDE AFTER THEY'RE BORN.
AS OPPOSED TO THE TOWNSFOLK WHO ARE ALL "NORMAL"
EVERYONE HERE IS A MUTANT.
HUH? AH YES, CALL US WHATEVER YOU WANT!
THIS TIME, IT'S MUTANT!?
BUT...
WE'VE GOT A THOUSAND AND ONE NAMES...
AH!
ANOTHER NICKNAME!
IT'S NOT A PEJORATIVE.
MU... WHAT?
HMM ?
WHEN REFERRING TO YOU PEOPLE
I SAID MUTANTS.
?
THE TOWNSFOLK PRACTICE HUNTING THE MUTANTS. THEY BRING BACK THEIR "PREY" AND PROCEED TO TORTURE THEM.
YES.
HE WANTED TO TAKE YOU?
IS THAT WHY...

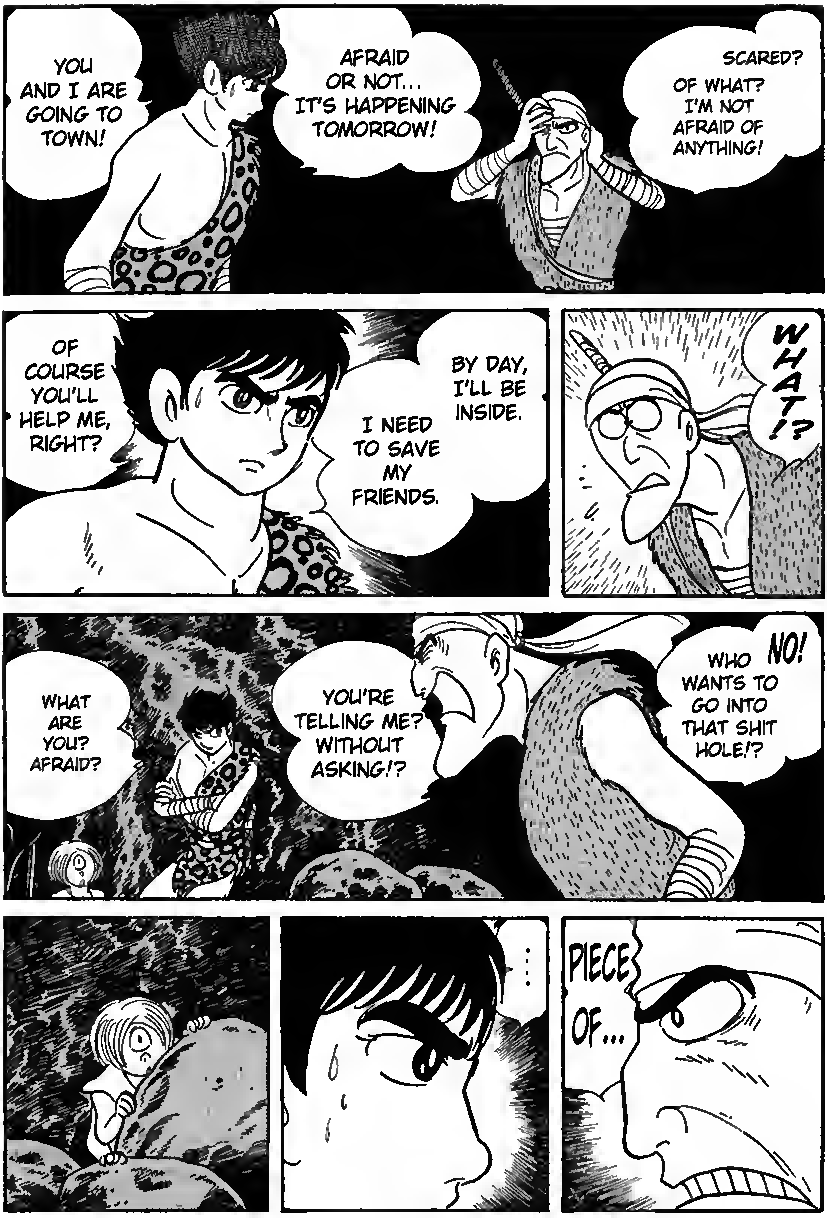
IT'S WHY THE MUTANTS FEAR THE TOWNSFOLK!
TOR-TURE ?
WHAT DO THEY GO THROUGH?
I DON'T KNOW. NO MUTANT HAS EVER GONE BACK TO THE TOWN.
HEY!
WHO ARE YOU TALKING TO?
WITH THE LITTLE GUY?
BUT HE DOESN'T SAY ANYTHING!
EXACTLY.
CYCLOPS AND I CAN COMMUNICATE WITHOUT SPEAKING A WORD!
I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN.
SO I GUESS THAT MEANS I'M IN THE SAME SPECIES AS YOU!

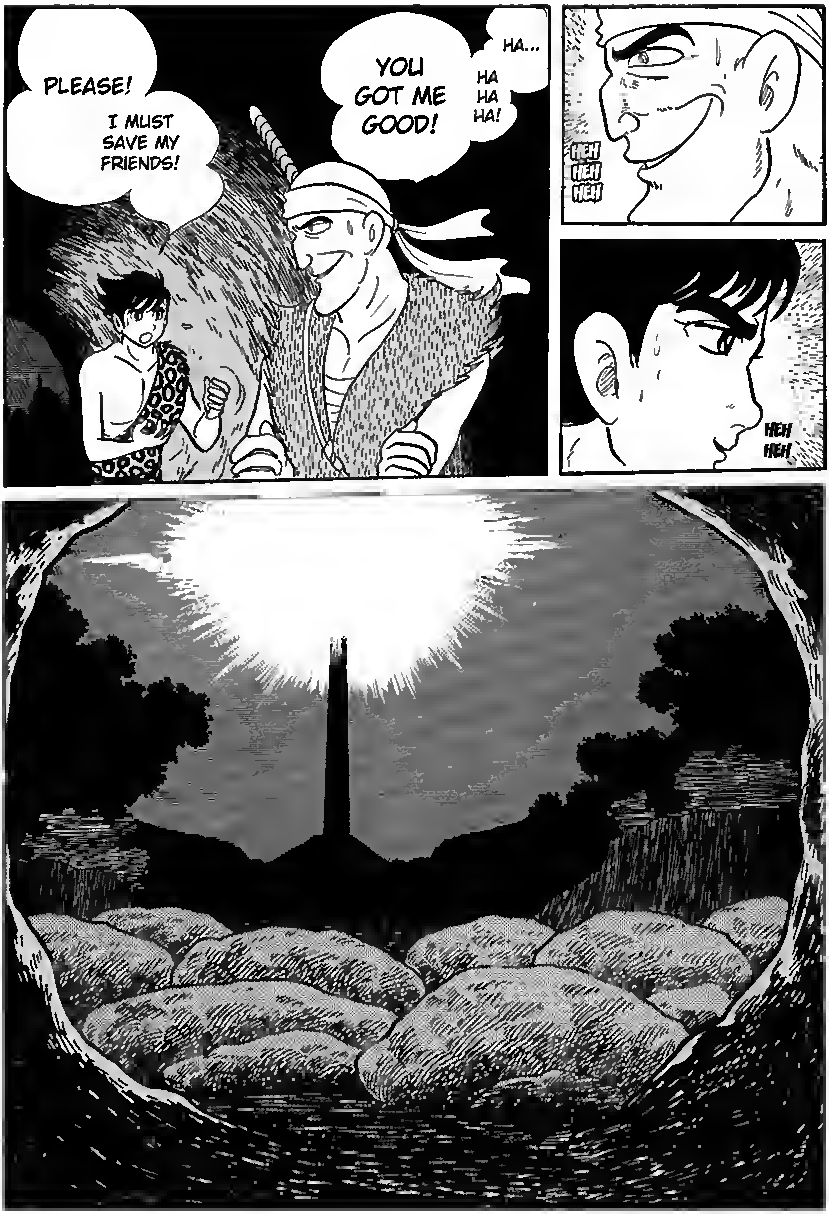
HOW IS THAT POSSI-BLE?
YOU KNOW MY NAME?
SO, CONDOR ...
FREE ME IF YOU PLEASE.
HUH?
YOU GET IT NOW?
HA HA HA... CYCLOPS TOLD ME.
THAT'S INCRE-DIBLE!
EXCEPT FOR YOUR HEAD-BAND!
DON'T LOOK ANY DIFFERENT PHYSICALLY FROM THE "NORMAL" PEOPLE...
YOU ...
THE HEART OF ANYONE!
CYCLOPS CAN ONLY TALK TO ME, BUT HE KNOWS HOW TO READ...

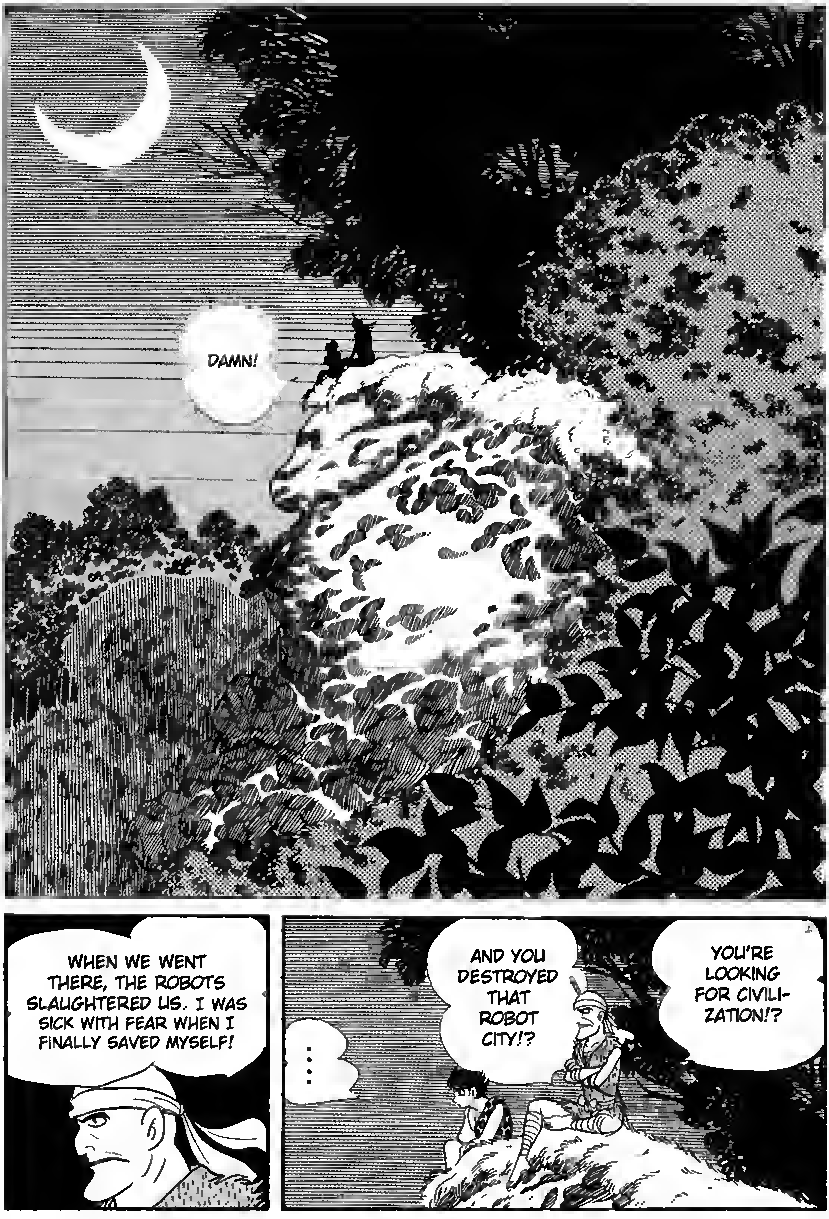

SHA----
YAAH!

WHY ARE YOU HIDING IT?
BUT ...
...
THANKS!
AREN'T YOU ALL MUTANTS HERE?

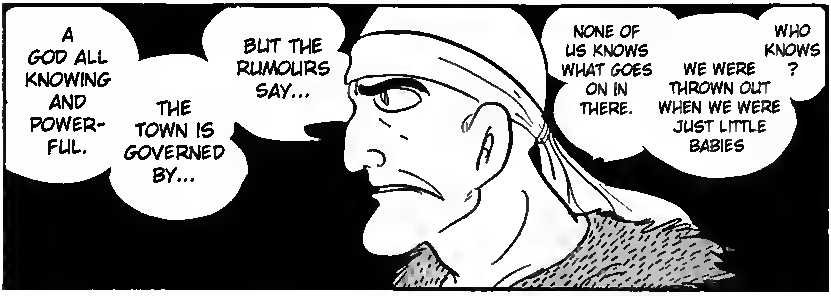
THIS THIRD EYE ISN'T COMMON.
IT SEES THE FUTURE.
IT SEES THE DAYS TO COME.
AND IT LAUGHS OR CRIES, INDEPENDENTLY FROM HOW I FEEL.
IT'S TROUBLESOME, YOU KNOW?
AND WHEN YOU KNOW WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN TOMORROW, THE PRESENT HAS NO MEANING!
REALLY? THAT'S ODD...
SEEMS VERY USEFUL TO ME...
WHAT? HOW WOULD YOU KNOW IF IT'S USEFUL OR NOT, IF YOU DON'T HAVE THE EYE!?
ONE SECOND!
WHAT DOES YOUR EYE SEE?
IT SEEMS SCARED OF SOMETHING...
HUH?


YOU AND I ARE GOING TO TOWN!
AFRAID OR NOT... IT'S HAPPENING TOMORROW!
SCARED? OF WHAT? I'M NOT AFRAID OF ANYTHING!
OF COURSE YOU'LL HELP ME, RIGHT?
I NEED TO SAVE MY FRIENDS.
BY DAY, I'LL BE INSIDE.
WHAT!?
WHAT ARE YOU? AFRAID?
YOU'RE TELLING ME? WITHOUT ASKING!?
WHO WANTS TO GO INTO THAT SHIT HOLE!?
NO!
...
PIECE OF...


PLEASE!
I MUST SAVE MY FRIENDS!
YOU GOT ME GOOD!
HA...
HA HA HA!
HEH HEH HEH
HEH HEH


DAMN!
WHEN WE WENT THERE, THE ROBOTS SLAUGHTERED US. I WAS SICK WITH FEAR WHEN I FINALLY SAVED MYSELF!
. . . .
AND YOU DESTROYED THAT ROBOT CITY!?
YOU'RE LOOKING FOR CIVILI-ZATION!?

AND I ASKED MYSELF HOW THEY LIVE...
I SAW ELECTRICITY AND GUNS.
WE CONTINUED ON...
AND WE DISCOVERED THIS TOWN.
AND NOW WE'RE STUCK IN THIS CURRENT PREDICAMENT.


A GOD ALL KNOWING AND POWERFUL.
THE TOWN IS GOVERNED BY...
BUT THE RUMOURS SAY...
WHO KNOWS ?
WE WERE THROWN OUT WHEN WE WERE JUST LITTLE BABIES
NONE OF US KNOWS WHAT GOES ON IN THERE.

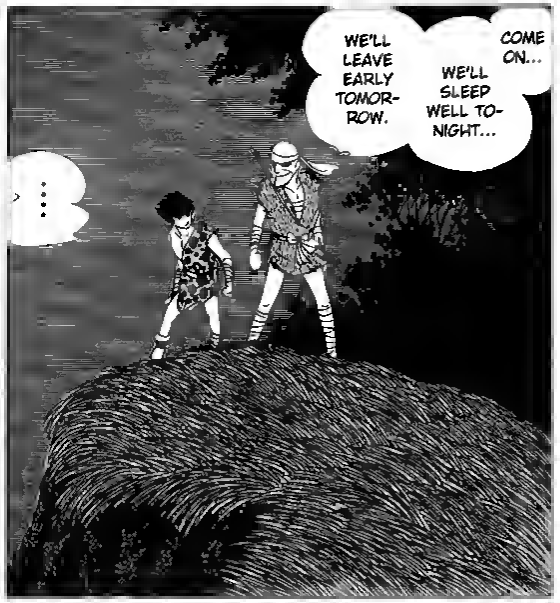
WE ARE CHILDREN OF SIN!
WE ARE BORN FROM THE HUMANS WHO THIS FAMOUS GOD DID NOT FORGIVE.
HE WAS THE ONE WHO LONG AGO, RAINED FIRE TO PUNISH HUMANITY FOR THEIR SINS.

A GOD ?

YEAH, SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

IT'S NOT GOD WHO'S CAUSING THE BIRTH OF MUTANTS.
NO!
THAT'S WRONG!
THAT'S WHY THEY KEEP US OUTSIDE THE TOWN WALLS.
ONE DAY I WILL RID OF ALL WHO LIVE IN THAT TOWN, AND IT WILL BE MINE!
HUH?
I DON'T BELIEVE THAT CRAP, OBVIOUSLY!

AND IT LOOKS LIKE IT'LL BE HAPPENING A LOT SOONER THAN I PREDICTED!


WE'LL LEAVE EARLY TOMORROW.
COME ON...
WE'LL SLEEP WELL TONIGHT...
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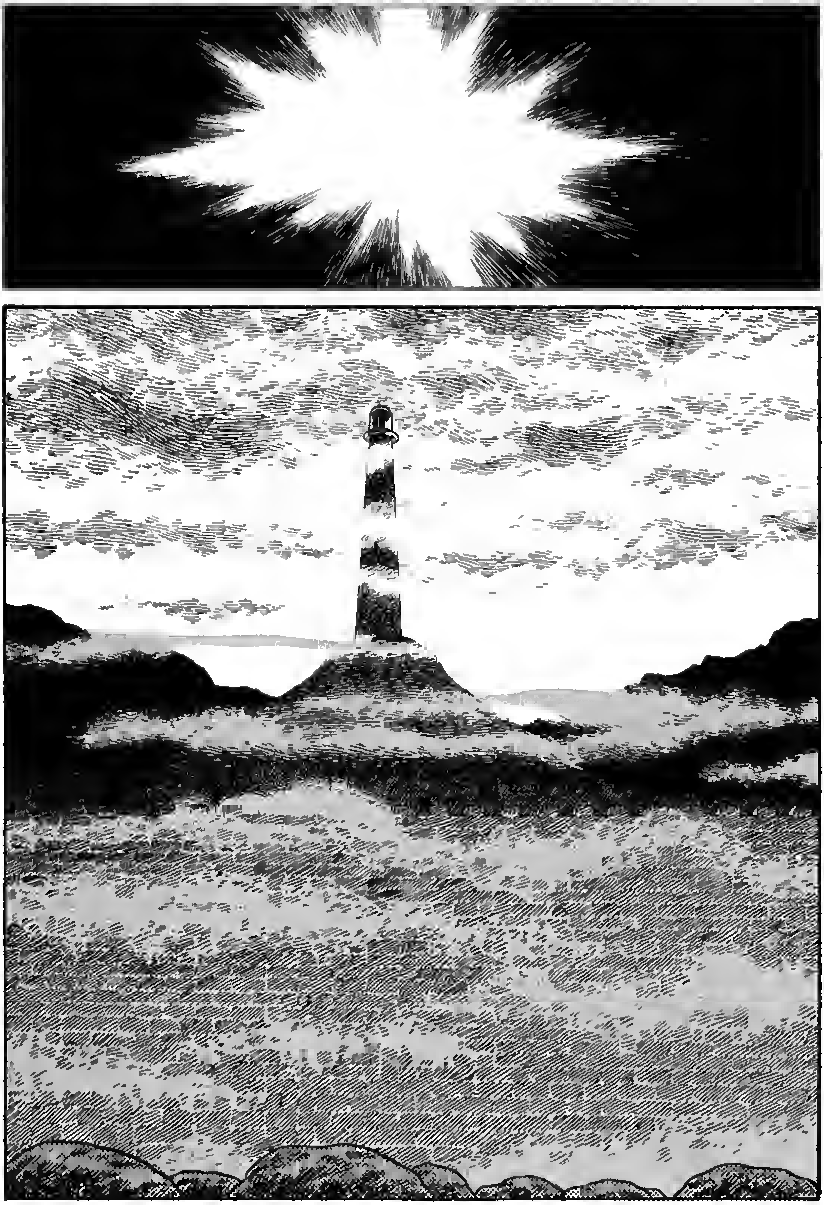
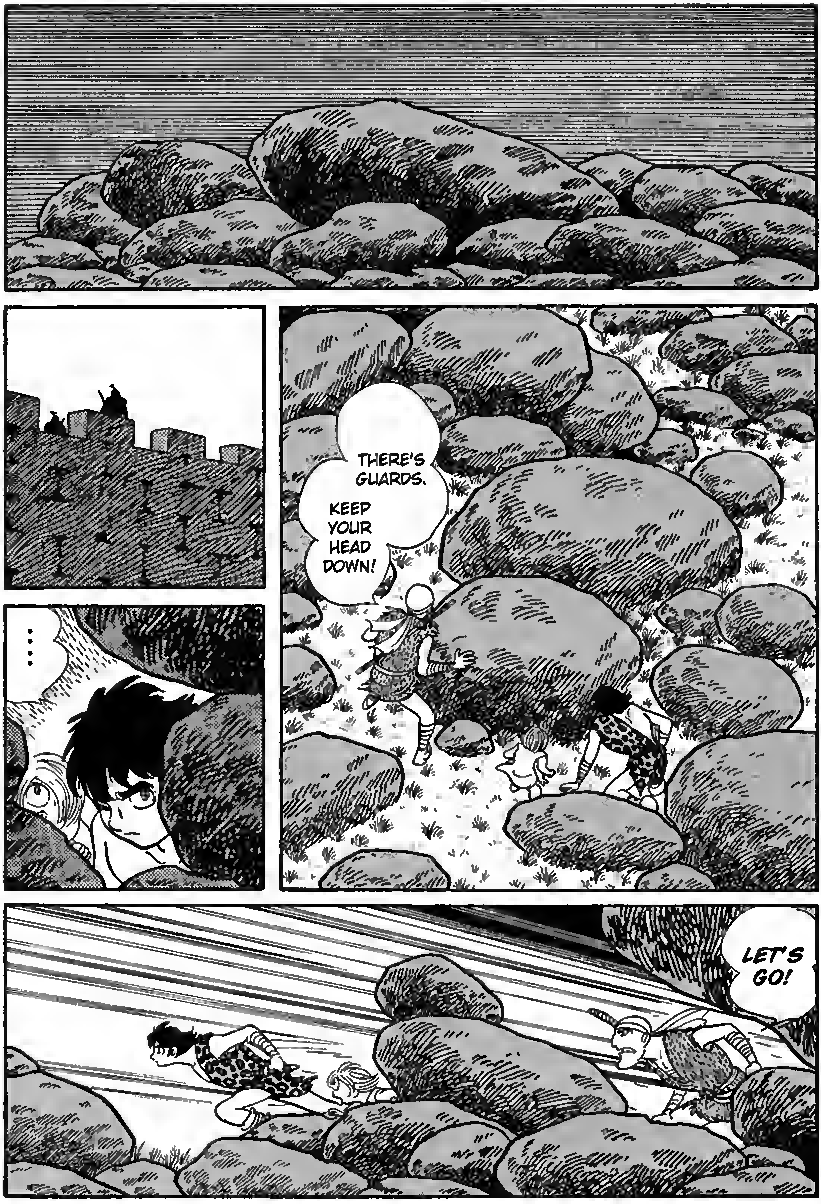
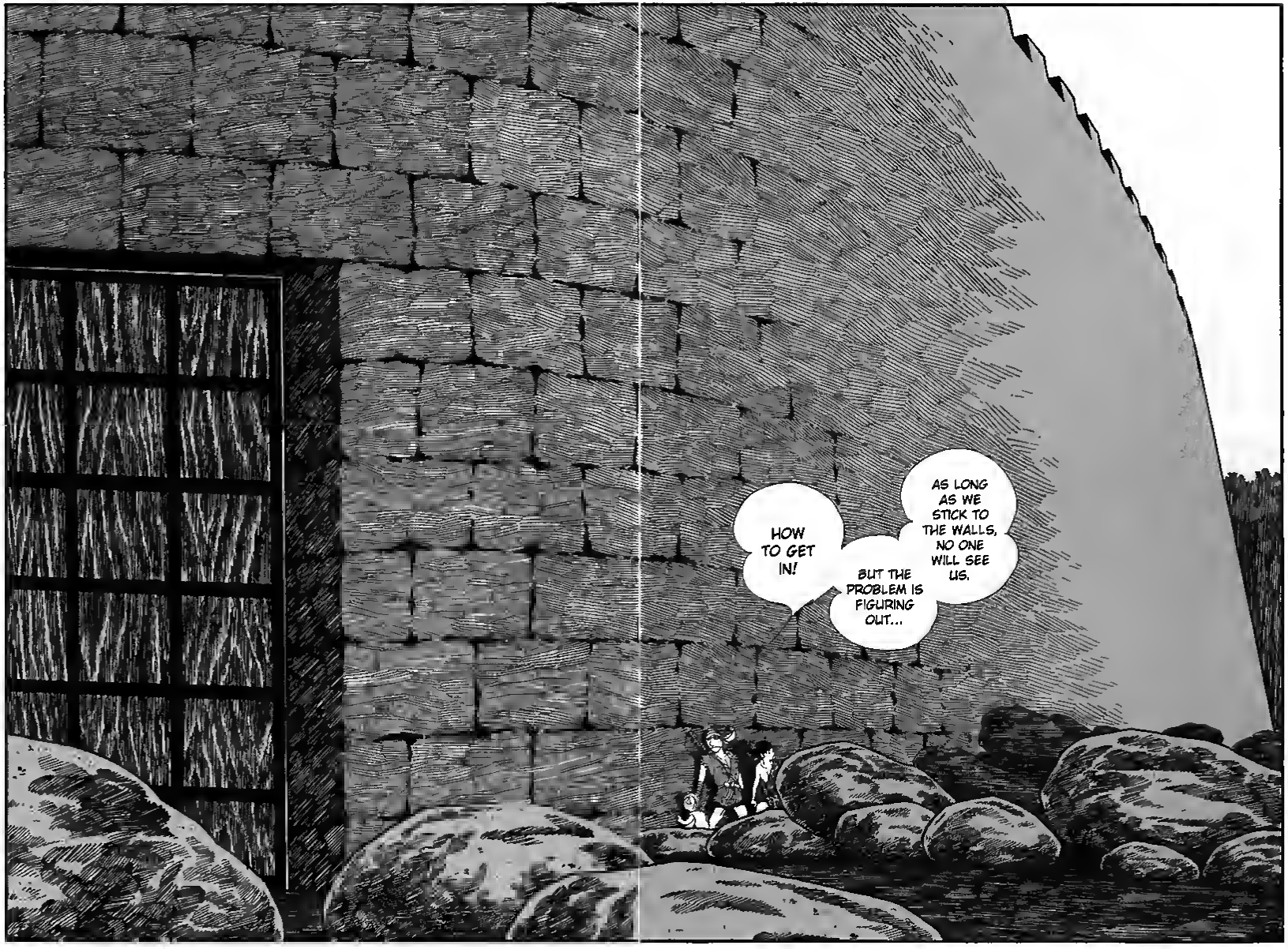
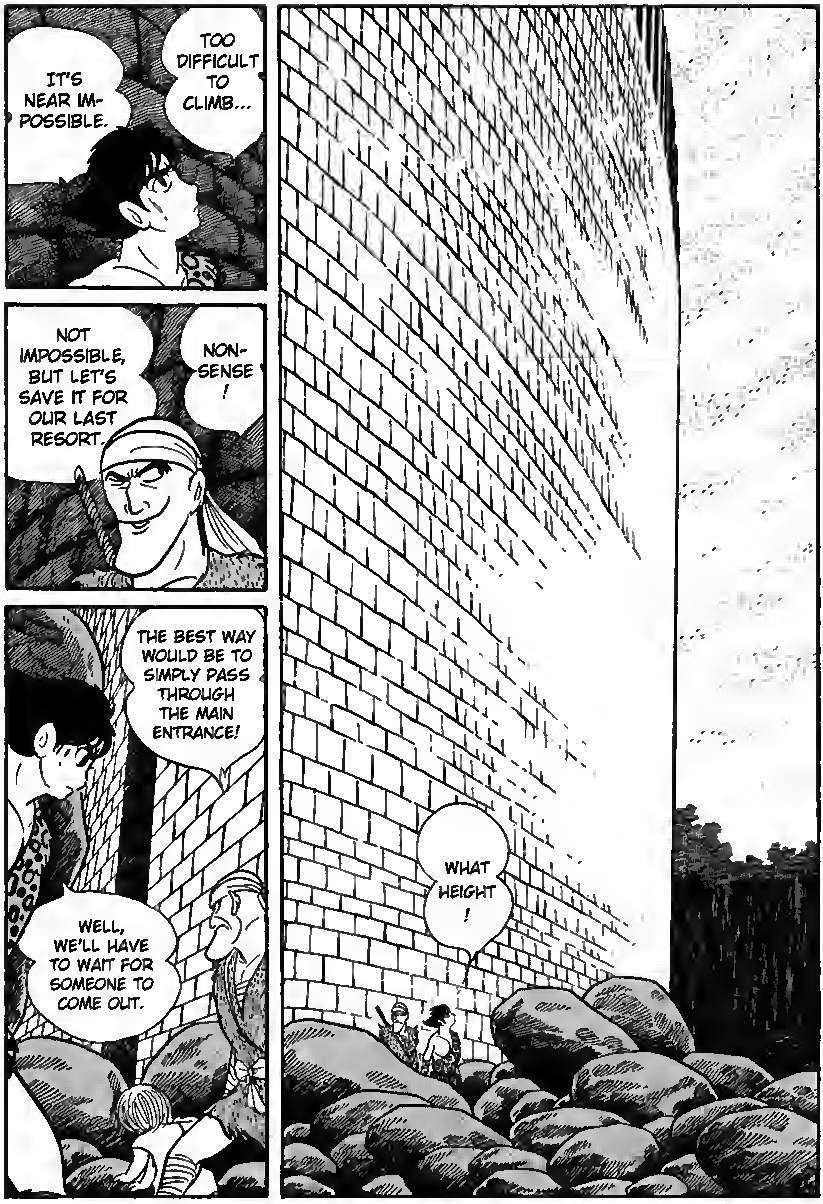
SINCE I KNEW THE LITTLE ONE COULDN'T TALK, I HAD INTUITIVELY NEEDED SOMEONE TO TALK TO...
HAHA!
GOOD THING I SAVED YOU!

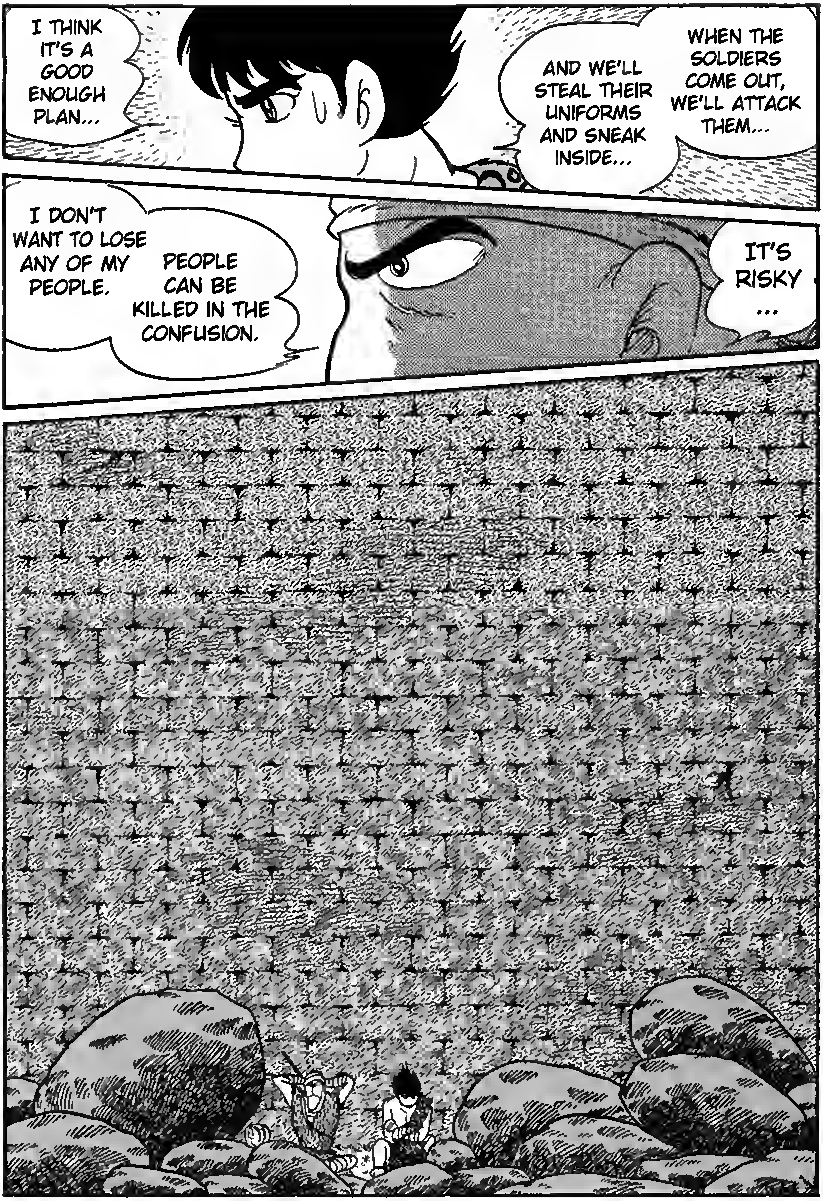



THERE'S GUARDS.
KEEP YOUR HEAD DOWN!
. . . .
LET'S GO!

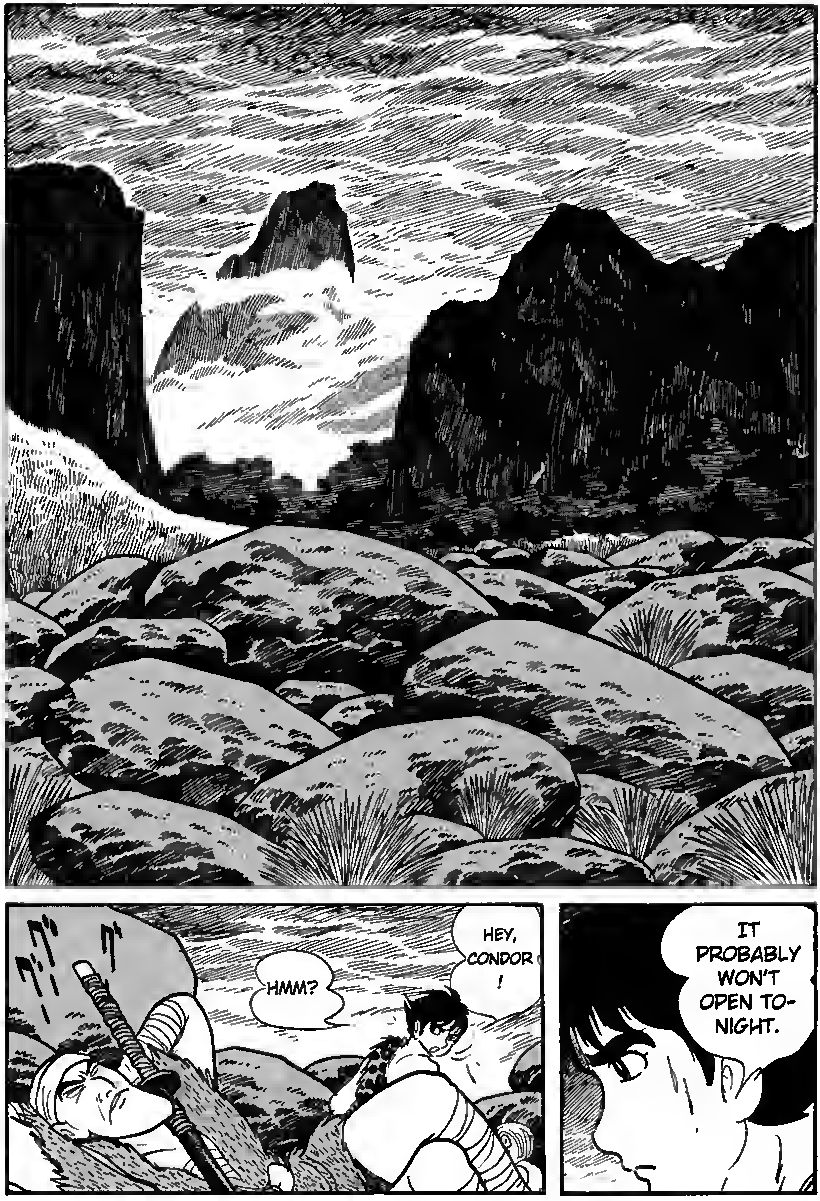

AS LONG AS WE STICK TO THE WALLS, NO ONE WILL SEE US.
HOW TO GET IN!
BUT THE PROBLEM IS FIGURING OUT...

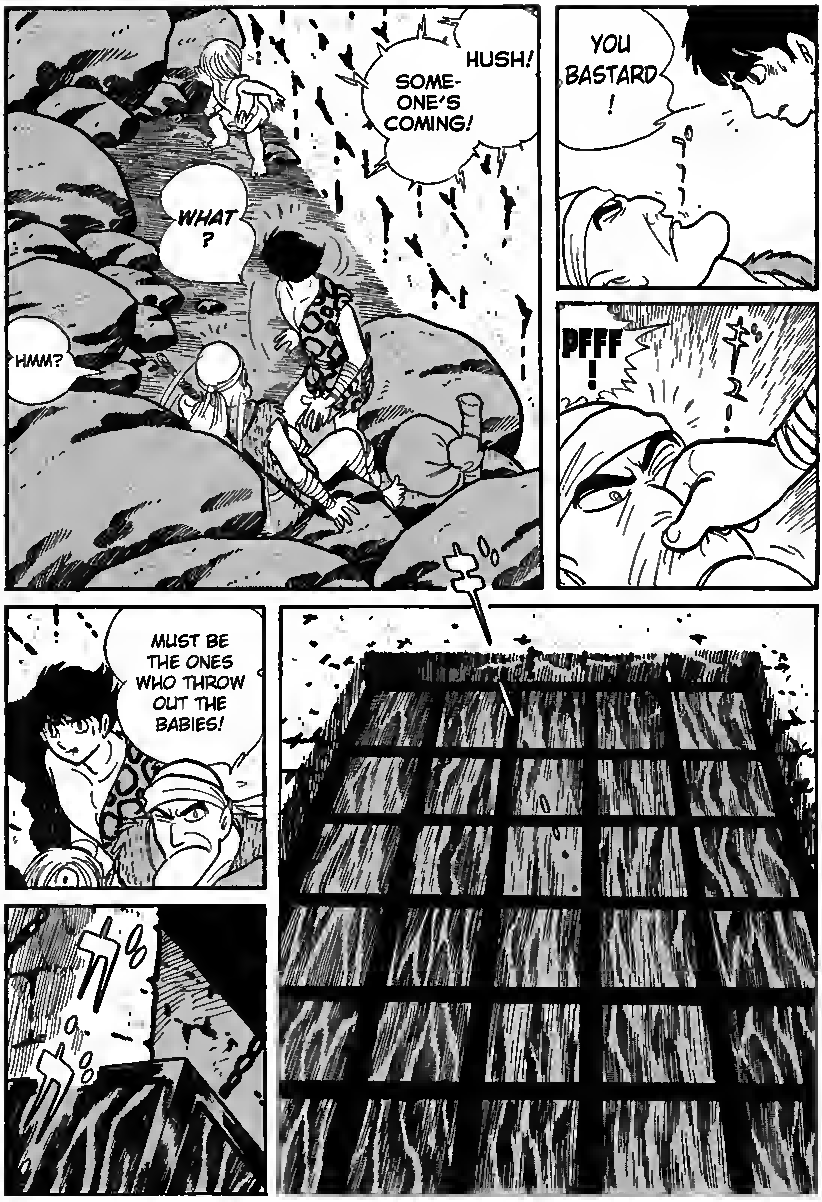

IT'S NEAR IMPOSSIBLE.
TOO DIFFICULT TO CLIMB...
NOT IMPOSSIBLE, BUT LET'S SAVE IT FOR OUR LAST RESORT.
NONSENSE!
THE BEST WAY WOULD BE TO SIMPLY PASS THROUGH THE MAIN ENTRANCE!
WELL, WE'LL HAVE TO WAIT FOR SOMEONE TO COME OUT.
WHAT HEIGHT!

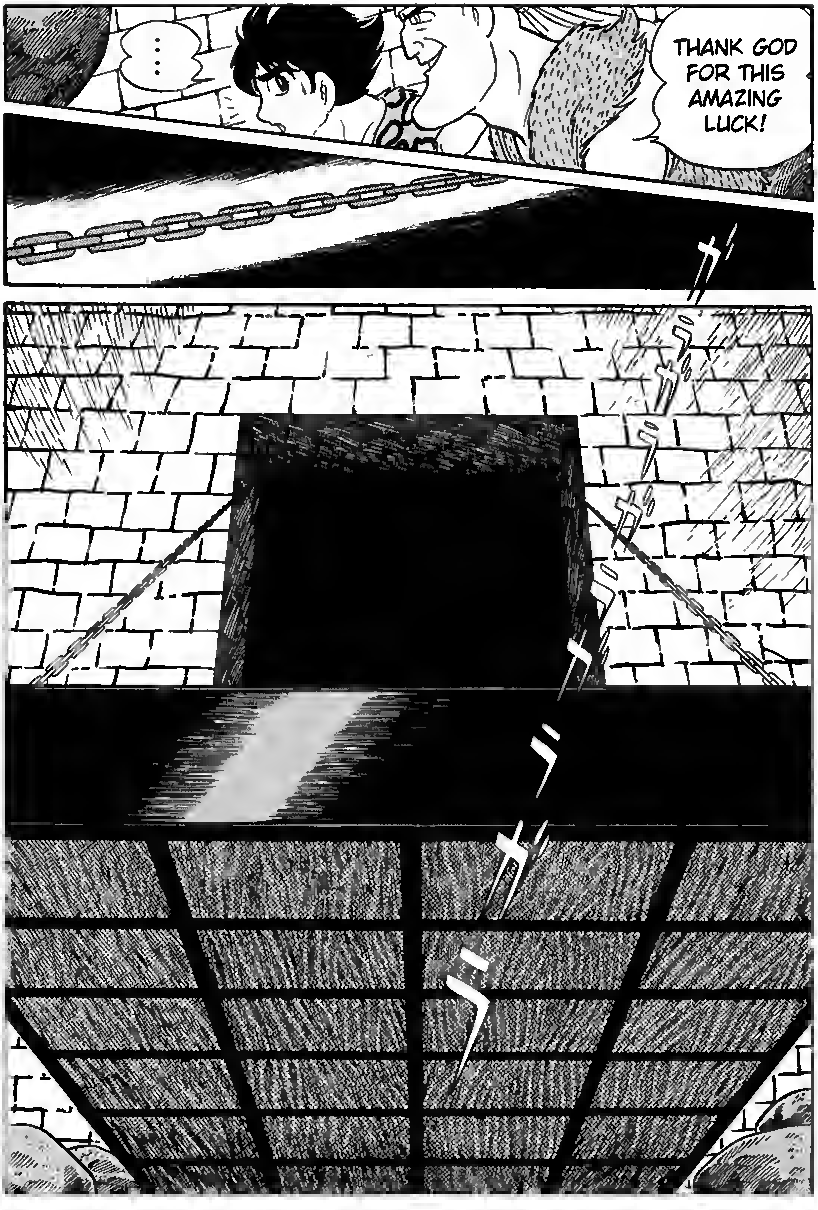
UP TILL NOW, THEY'VE BEEN THROWING OUT BABIES ABOUT THREE TIMES A MONTH, SO ONCE EVERY 10 DAYS!
AND THE LAST TIME, WAS MORE THEN 10 DAYS AGO.
BUT BABIES AREN'T BORN AT REGULAR INTERVALS!
DON'T WORRY.
JUST BE PATIENT.
HUH?
DON'T BE SO IMPA-TIENT!
OR YOUR PLANS WILL FAIL SOONER OR LATER!
YOU ONLY SAY THAT CAUSE YOUR FRIENDS AREN'T BEHIND THOSE WALLS.
CALM DOWN!
WE'LL WAIT TILL TOMORROW NIGHT...
AND IF NO ONE COMES OUT, WILL START PLAN B.
WHY NOT START PLAN B NOW?
WE'LL ASK YOUR FRIENDS TO MAKE SOME NOISE, AND..

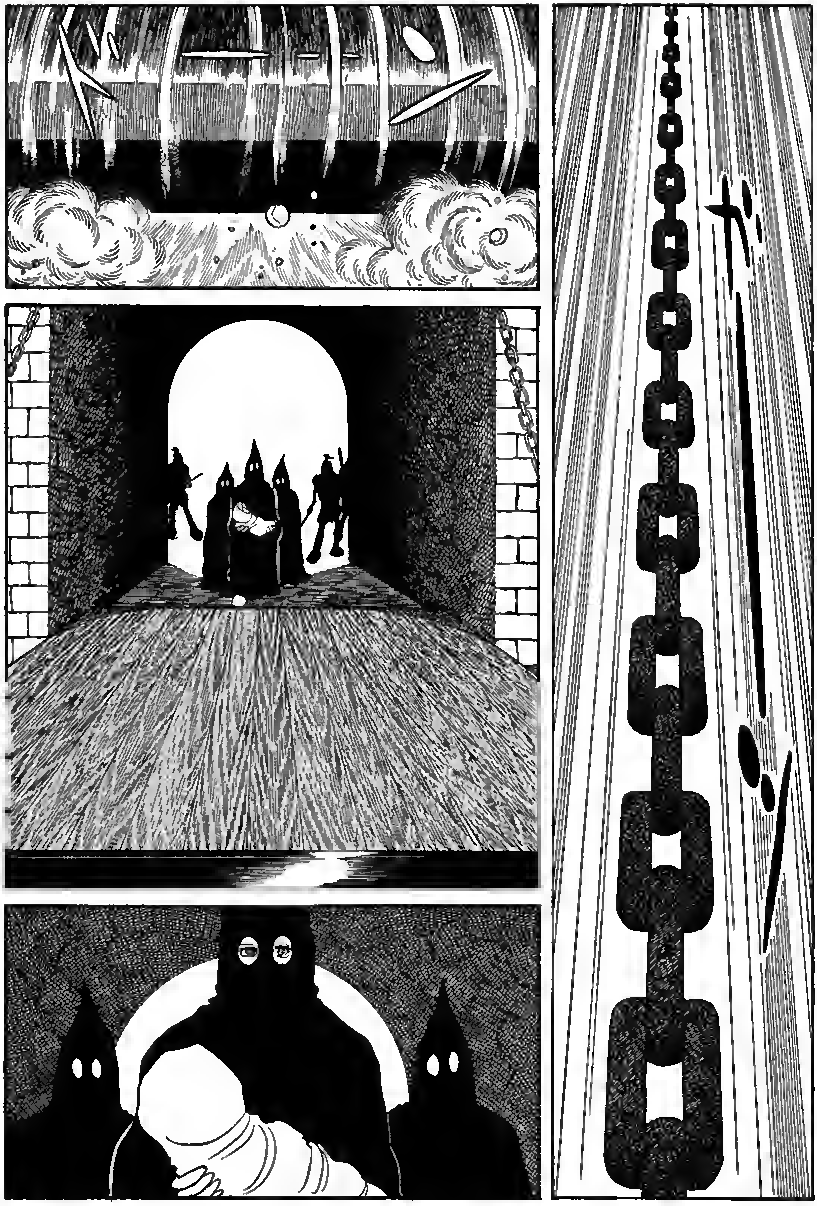

I THINK IT'S A GOOD ENOUGH PLAN...
AND WE'LL STEAL THEIR UNIFORMS AND SNEAK INSIDE...
WHEN THE SOLDIERS COME OUT, WE'LL ATTACK THEM...
I DON'T WANT TO LOSE ANY OF MY PEOPLE.
PEOPLE CAN BE KILLED IN THE CONFUSION.
IT'S RISKY ...

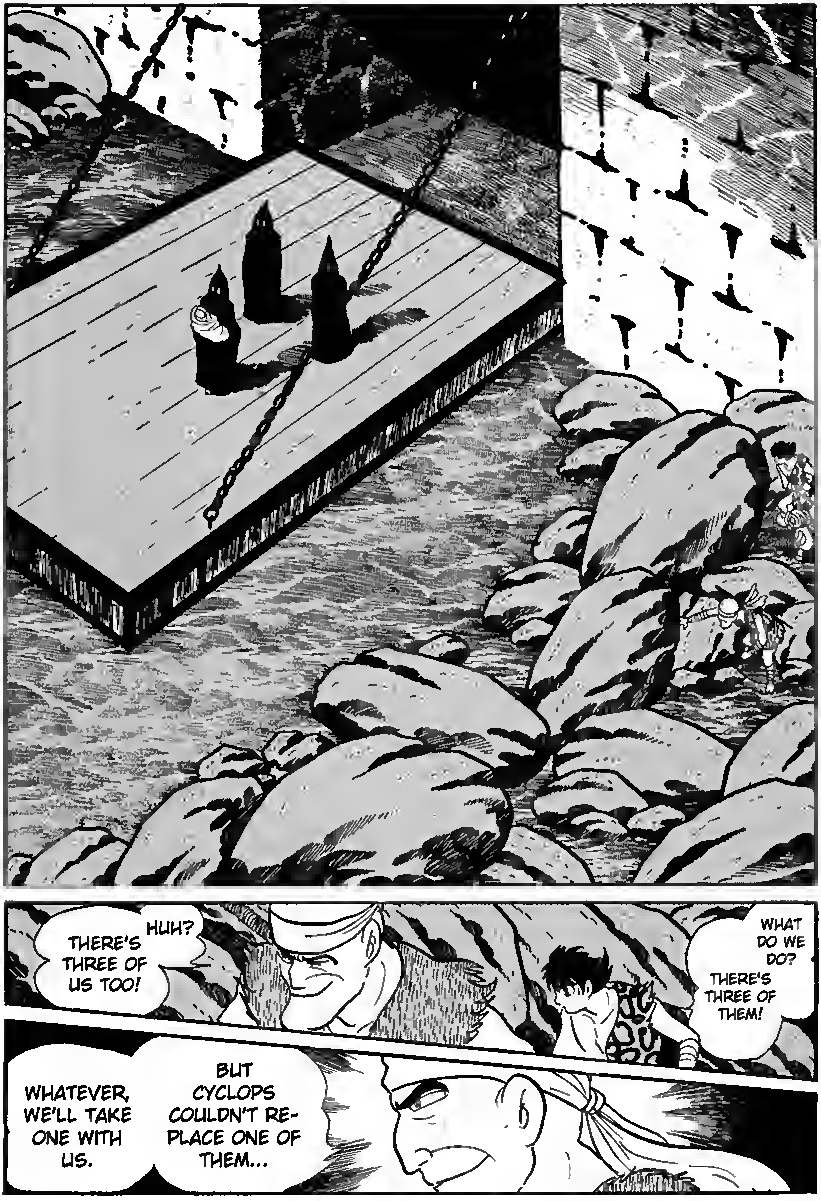
NO.
HOW CAN YOU EAT AT A TIME LIKE THIS!?
WANT A BITE?
DAMN IT!
IT'LL BE NIGHT SOON...
HUH?
TIME SOLVES ALL PROBLEMS! SO LET'S WAIT!
HAHA! CAN'T DO MUCH ON AN EMPTY STOMACH!


HEY, CONDOR!
HMM?
IT PROBABLY WON'T OPEN TO-NIGHT.


HUSH!
SOME-ONE'S COMING!
WHAT ?
HMM?
YOU BASTARD !
PFFF !
MUST BE THE ONES WHO THROW OUT THE BABIES!

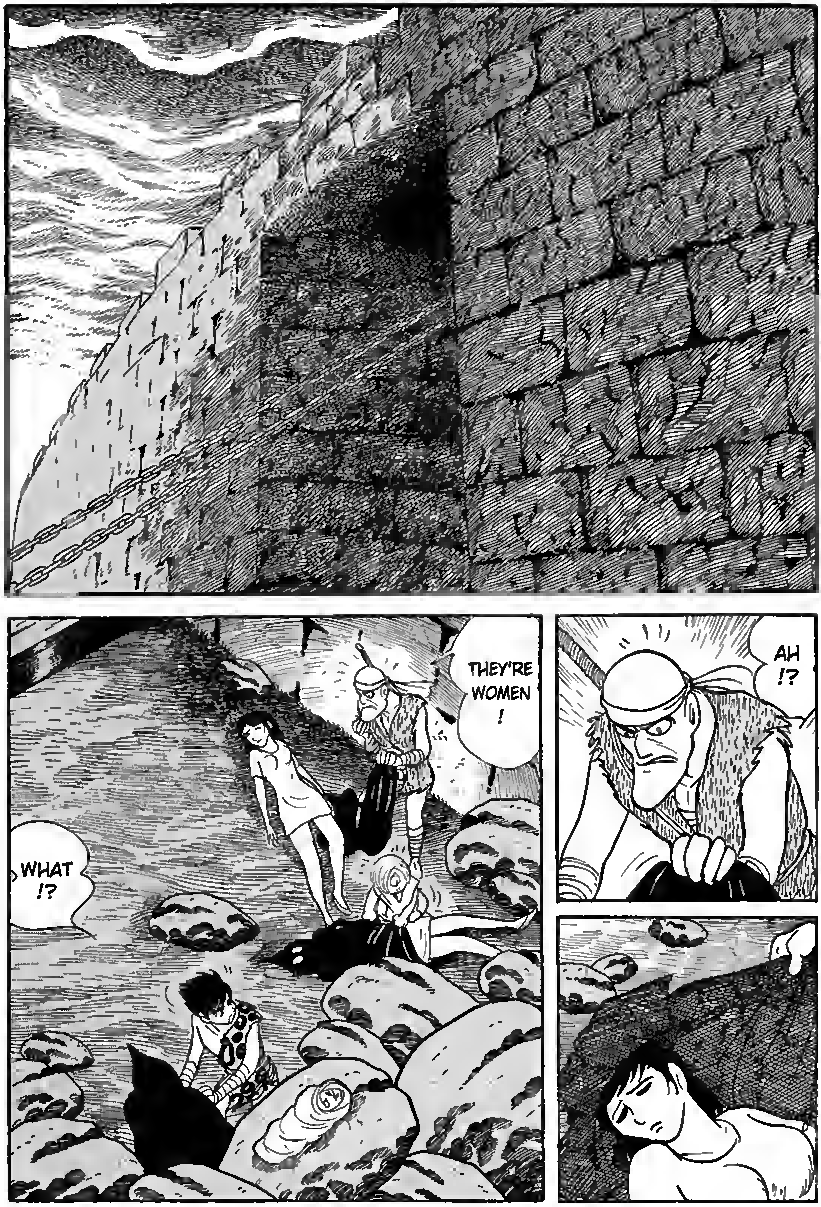

...
THANK GOD FOR THIS AMAZING LUCK!



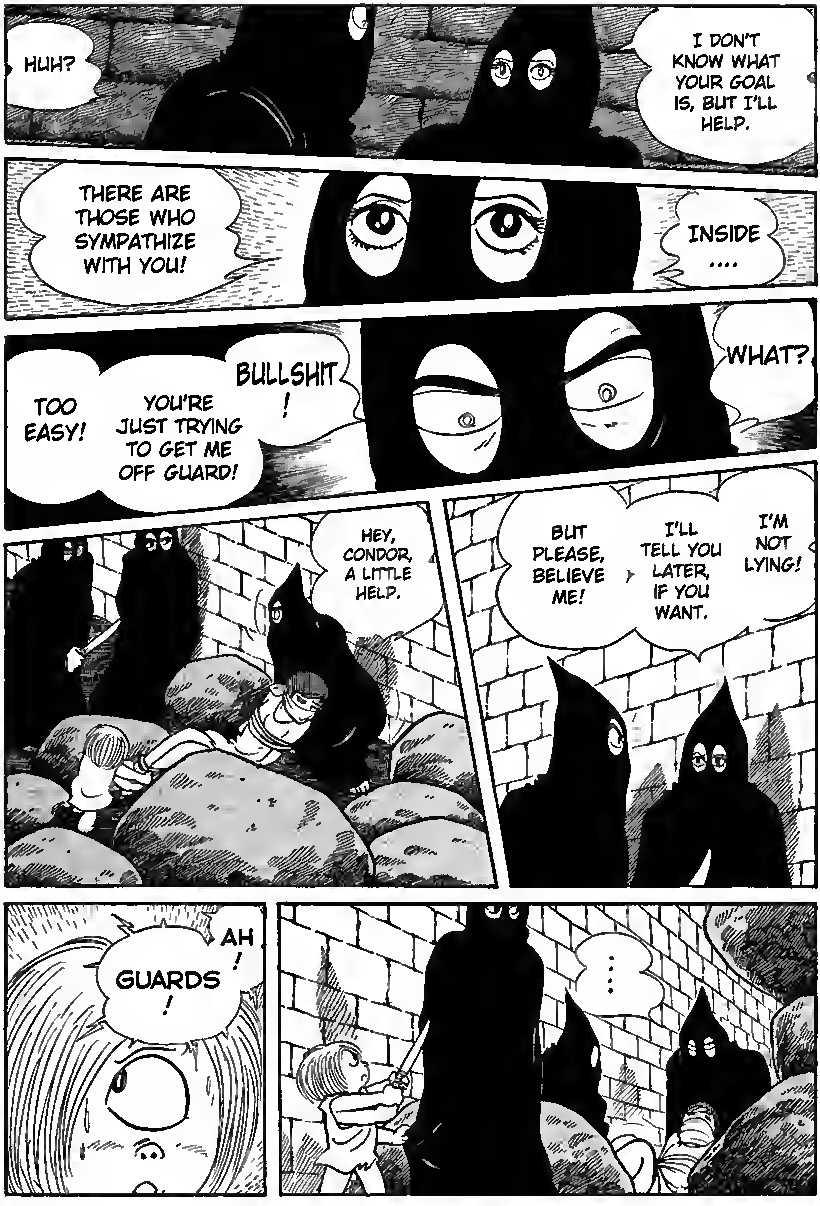

WHAT DO WE DO? THERE'S THREE OF THEM!
HUH? THERE'S THREE OF US TOO!
BUT CYCLOPS COULDN'T REPLACE ONE OF THEM...
WHATEVER, WE'LL TAKE ONE WITH US.

FINALLY... A WINNING CHANCE!
LOOK, THEY'RE COMING OUR WAY!
I'LL CHARGE THE OTHER TWO...
YOU DEAL WITH THE ONE HOLDING THE BABY.
GOT IT.
NOW!

AH!
SHKAKASHKAKASHKAKA
AAH!
ARGH...
NOT A SOUND!
GOT 'EM!
HURRY!
OR OTHERS WILL COME.


THEY'RE WOMEN !
WHAT !?
AH !?

YES, WE'RE GOING INSIDE...
YOU'RE GOING TO...
TO SAVE MY FRIENDS WHO WERE CAPTURED YESTERDAY. AND YOU'LL LEAD US TO THEM!
RYU!
PUT THIS ON AND HURRY UP!
HMM?
YOU'RE AN EX-CLUDED, RIGHT?
TIE THEM UP WELL, CYCLOPS.
I'LL WATCH HER.
SO WHAT?
OF COURSE!


HUH?
I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOUR GOAL IS, BUT I'LL HELP.
THERE ARE THOSE WHO SYMPATHIZE WITH YOU!
INSIDE ....
WHAT?
BULLSHIT!
YOU'RE JUST TRYING TO GET ME OFF GUARD!
TOO EASY!
HEY, CONDOR, A LITTLE HELP.
BUT PLEASE, BELIEVE ME!
I'LL TELL YOU LATER, IF YOU WANT.
I'M NOT LYING!
AH!
GUARDS!
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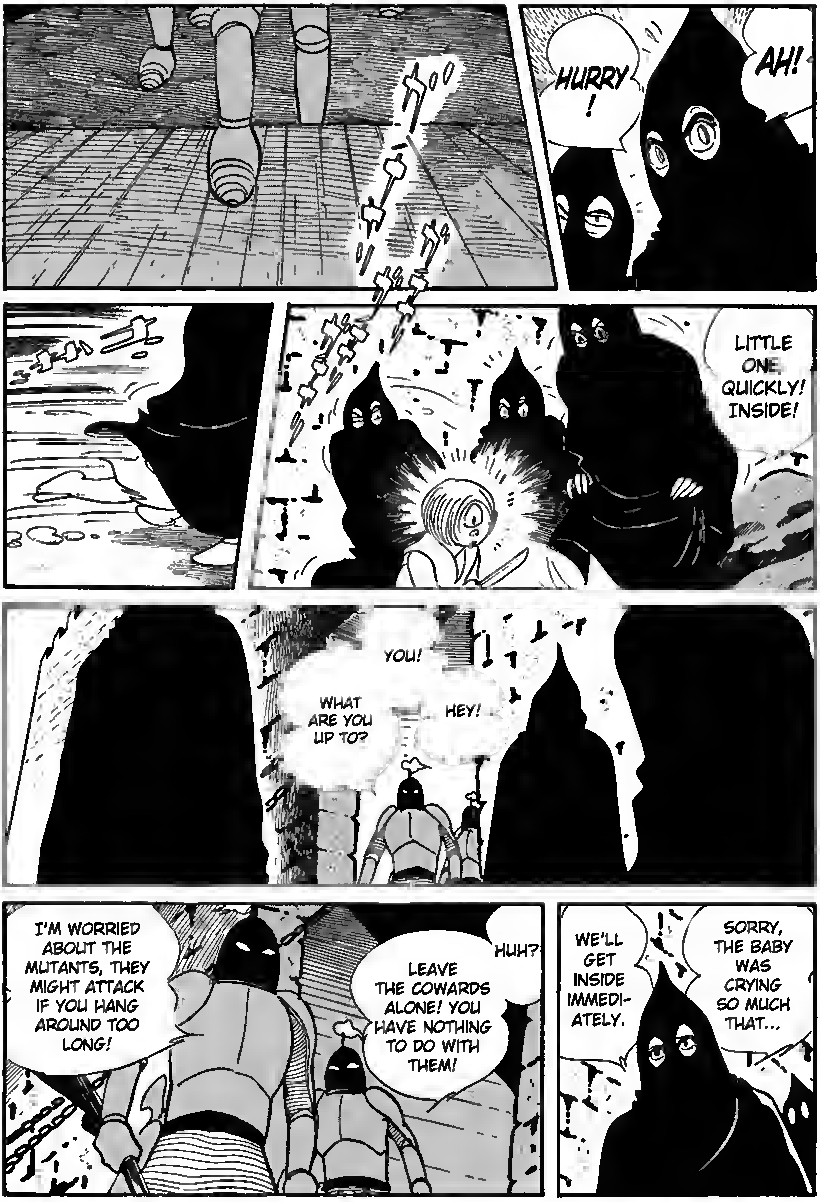
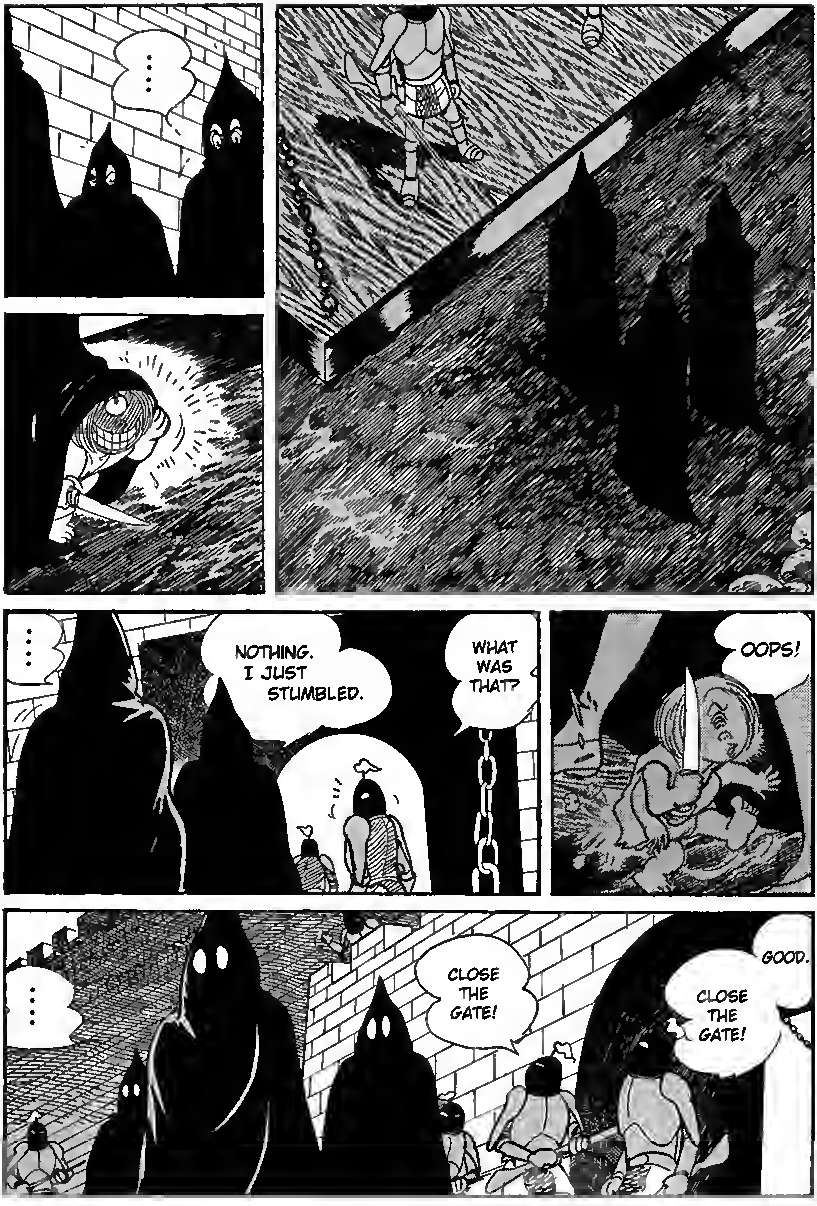
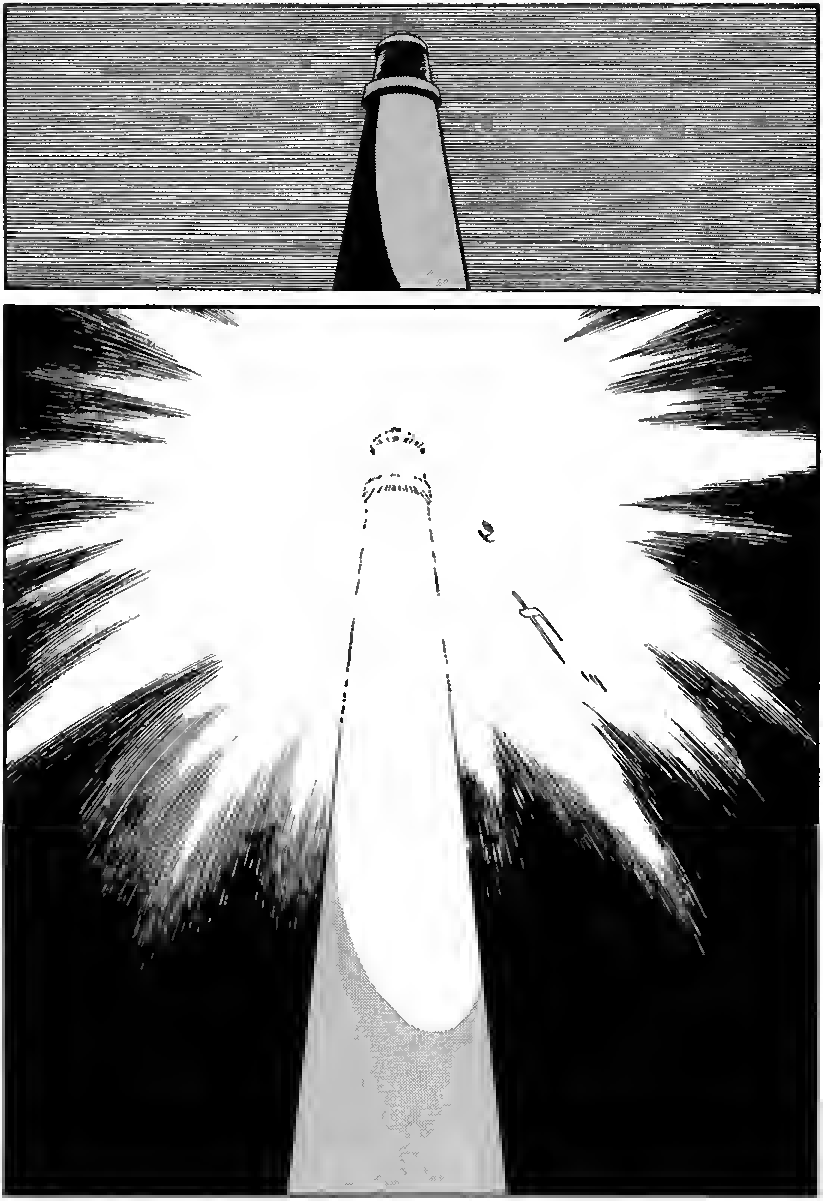
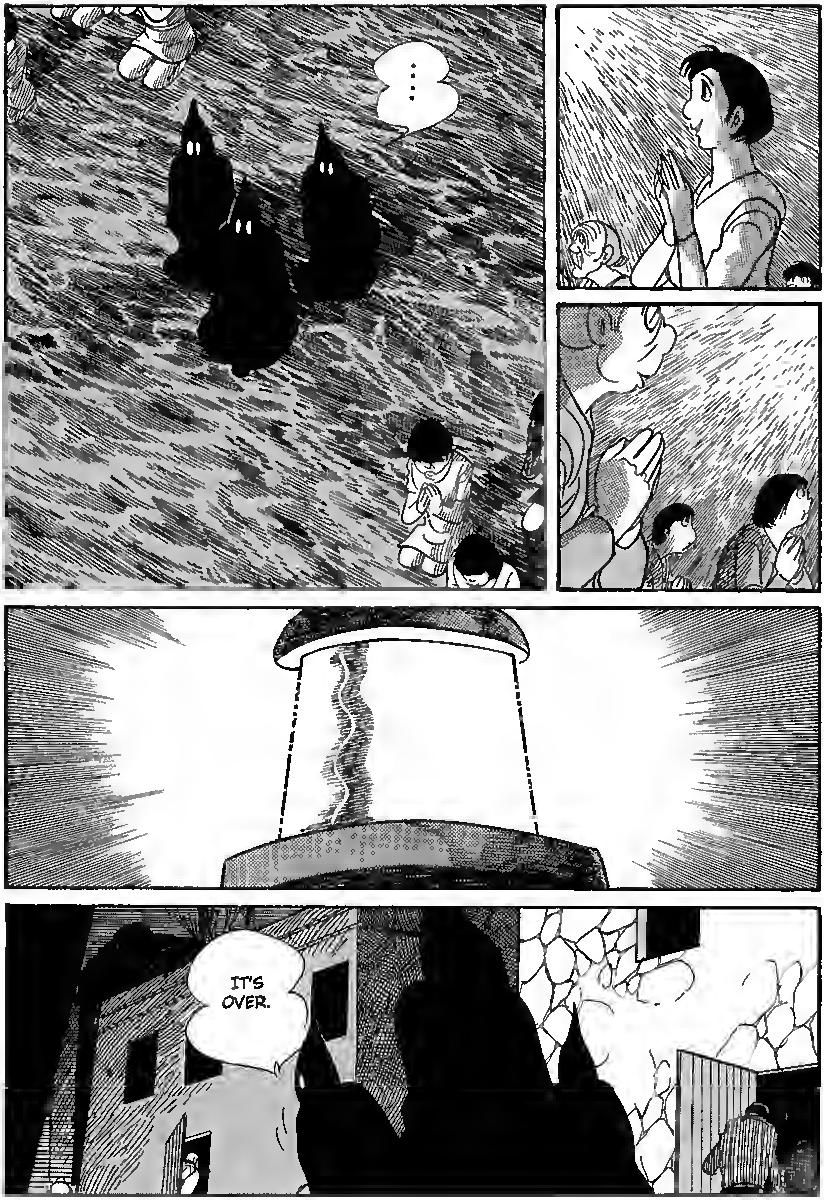

HURRY!
AH!
LITTLE ONE, QUICKLY! INSIDE!
YOU!
WHAT ARE YOU UP TO?
HEY!
I'M WORRIED ABOUT THE MUTANTS, THEY MIGHT ATTACK IF YOU HANG AROUND TOO LONG!
HUH?
LEAVE THE COWARDS ALONE! YOU HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH THEM!
WE'LL GET INSIDE IMMEDIATELY.
SORRY, THE BABY WAS CRYING SO MUCH THAT...

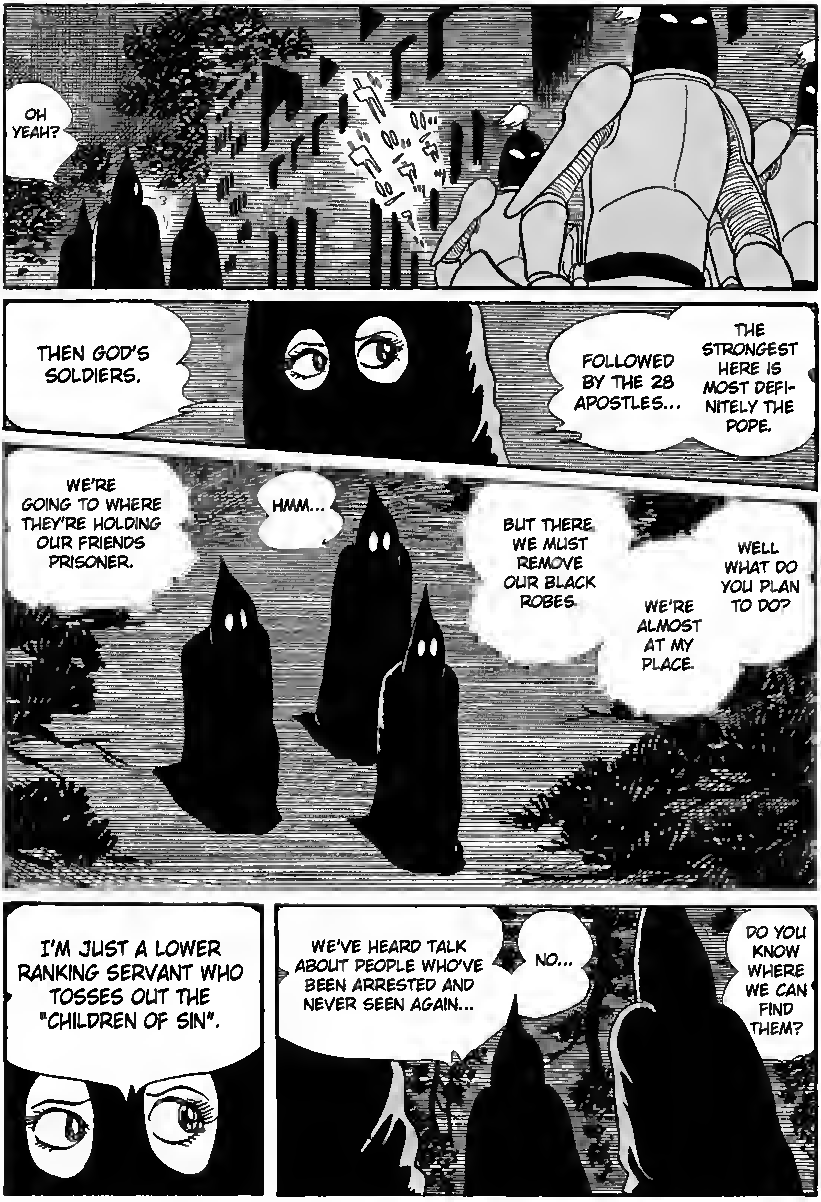

...
NOTHING. I JUST STUMBLED.
WHAT WAS THAT?
OOPS!
...
CLOSE THE GATE!
GOOD.
CLOSE THE GATE!

ON YOUR KNEES!
QUIET!
LIKE ALL THE OTHERS!
HMM?
WHAT'S GOING ON?
.....!?



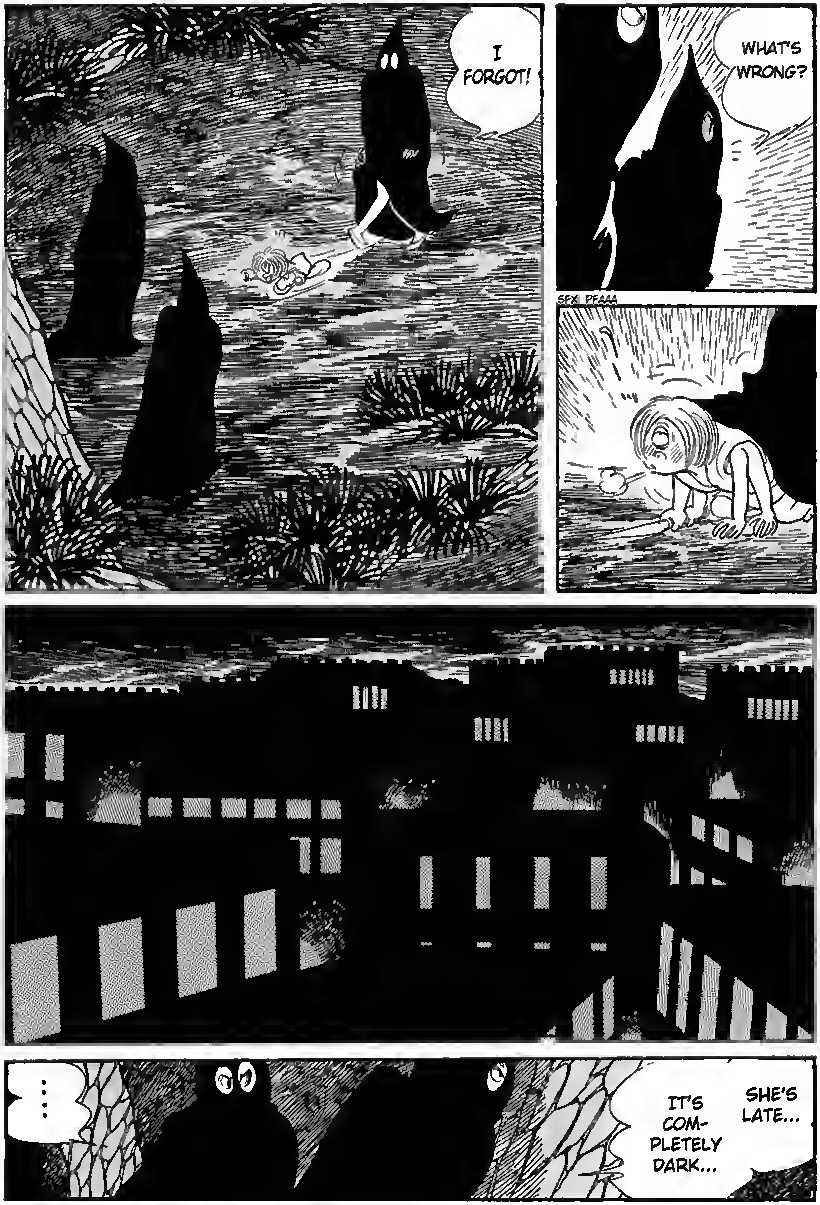

IT'S OVER.

YOU'RE KIDDING! IT'S JUST ELECTRICITY!
DIVINE LIGHT?
WE RECEIVED THE DIVINE LIGHT.
WHAT WERE THEY DOING?
QUIET!
ARE WE, BY CHANCE, CLOSE TO THE SEA?
TO LET THE BOATS KNOW WHERE THE PORT IS.
YES!
LIGHT HOUSE ?
THEY'RE GOD'S SOL-DIERS.
YES, I'D SAY I'VE ALREADY SEEN THIS...
AND IT'S A LIGHT HOUSE, I'M SURE.

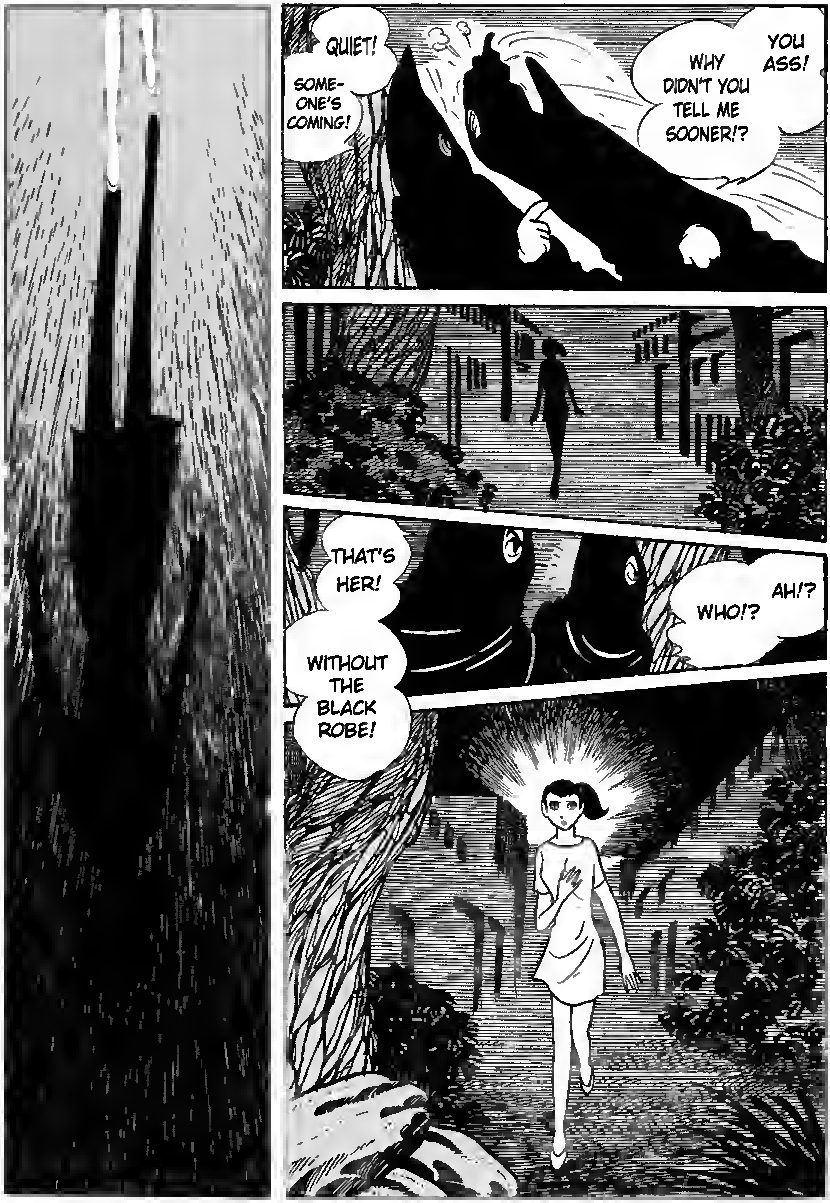

OH YEAH?
THEN GOD'S SOLDIERS.
FOLLOWED BY THE 28 APOSTLES...
THE STRONGEST HERE IS MOST DEFINITELY THE POPE.
WE'RE GOING TO WHERE THEY'RE HOLDING OUR FRIENDS PRISONER.
HMM...
BUT THERE WE MUST REMOVE OUR BLACK ROBES.
WE'RE ALMOST AT MY PLACE.
WELL WHAT DO YOU PLAN TO DO?
I'M JUST A LOWER RANKING SERVANT WHO TOSSES OUT THE "CHILDREN OF SIN".
WE'VE HEARD TALK ABOUT PEOPLE WHO'VE BEEN ARRESTED AND NEVER SEEN AGAIN...
NO...
DO YOU KNOW WHERE WE CAN FIND THEM?

BUT... PERHAPS...
MY COMRADES KNOW OF A WAY...
COM-RADES ?
HEY, YOU WEREN'T LYING BEFORE, ARE YOU? CAN WE REALLY TRUST YOU?
OF COURSE YOU CAN TRUST ME!
YOU DIDN'T THINK I WAS SE-RIOUS?

THOSE WHO DOUBT HIS INTENTIONS AND OBJECT HIS BEHAVIOUR!
BUT THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE IS GROWING...
SO THERE AREN'T MANY OF US.
YOU KNOW, ANY CRITICISM TOWARDS THE POPE IS CONSIDERED THE HIGHEST FORM OF TREASON; IT'S EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.
AND WHEN A WOMAN GIVES BIRTH TO A CHILD OF SIN, SHE IS EXECUTED.
WE DON'T HAVE THE FREEDOM TO CHOOSE OUR HUSBAND...
MOSTLY THE WOMEN.
SO TELL US WHERE MY FRIENDS ARE.
I UNDERSTAND. WE TRUST YOU.
AL-RIGHT.
AH!
OKAY.
WELL.. KEEP HIDDEN AND WAIT.

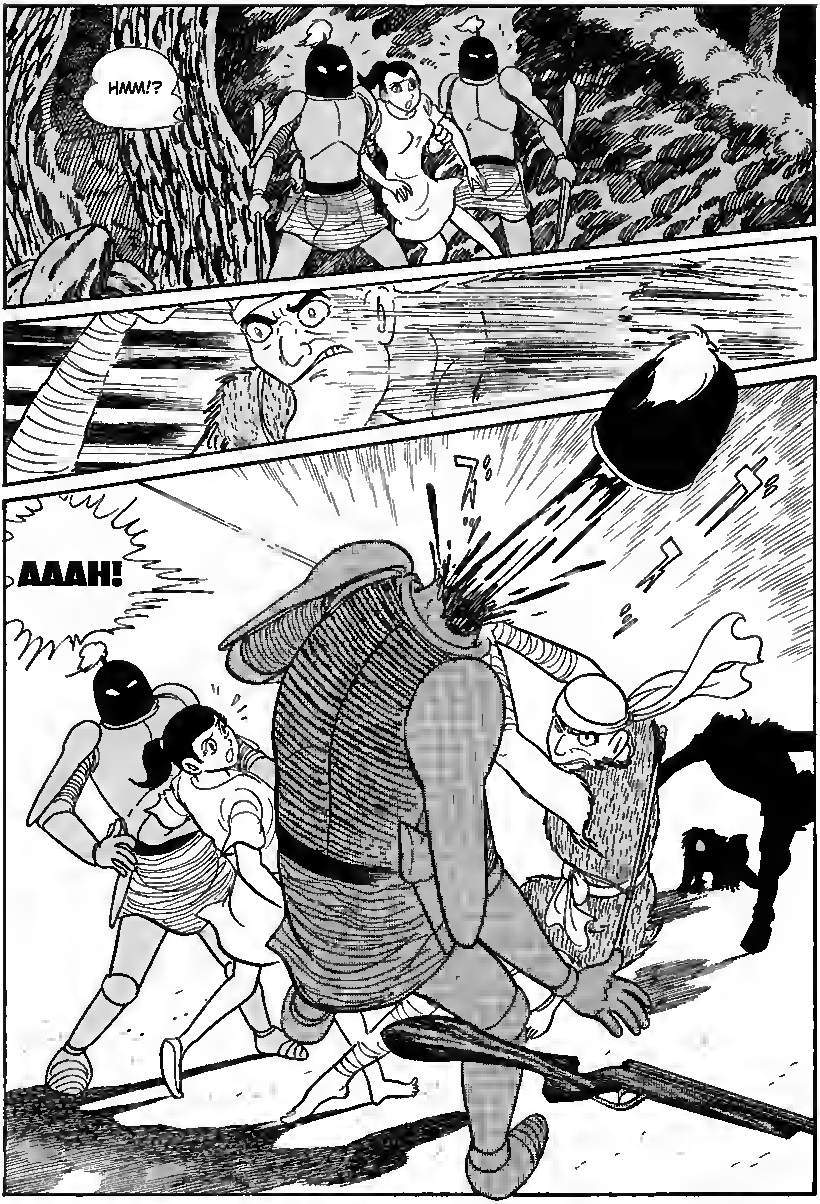

I FORGOT!
WHAT'S WRONG?
SFX: PFAAA
IT'S COM-PLETELY DARK...
SHE'S LATE...

LOOK... NOT A LIGHT LEFT IN THE TOWN! IF THERE'S A LIGHT HOUSE, THERE MUST BE ELECTRICAL GENERATORS...
YOU SHOULD HAVE NOTICED!
I'M SAYING THAT THE GIRL COULD HAVE TOLD US WHATEVER!
THE HELL ARE YOU BLABBERING ABOUT, RYU?
WELL... THEY HAVE TO MAKE THE PEOPLE BELIEVE IT'S A "DIVINE LIGHT"...
THEY CAN'T KEEP IT LIT OFTEN, OR THEIR AUTHORITY WOULD BE IN QUESTION!
YOU'RE WORRIED?
WE HAVE TO GET AWAY FROM HERE BEFORE THE SOLDIERS COME..
IT'S BEEN TOO EASY, DON'T YOU THINK?
WHAT ?
HOW WOULD YOU KNOW?
CYCLOPS HAS BEEN READING HER HEART THE WHOLE TIME.
AND NOW I KNOW WHERE I CAN FIND MY FRIENDS.
SHE'LL BE BACK SOON.
SHE WASN'T LYING!
RELAX !

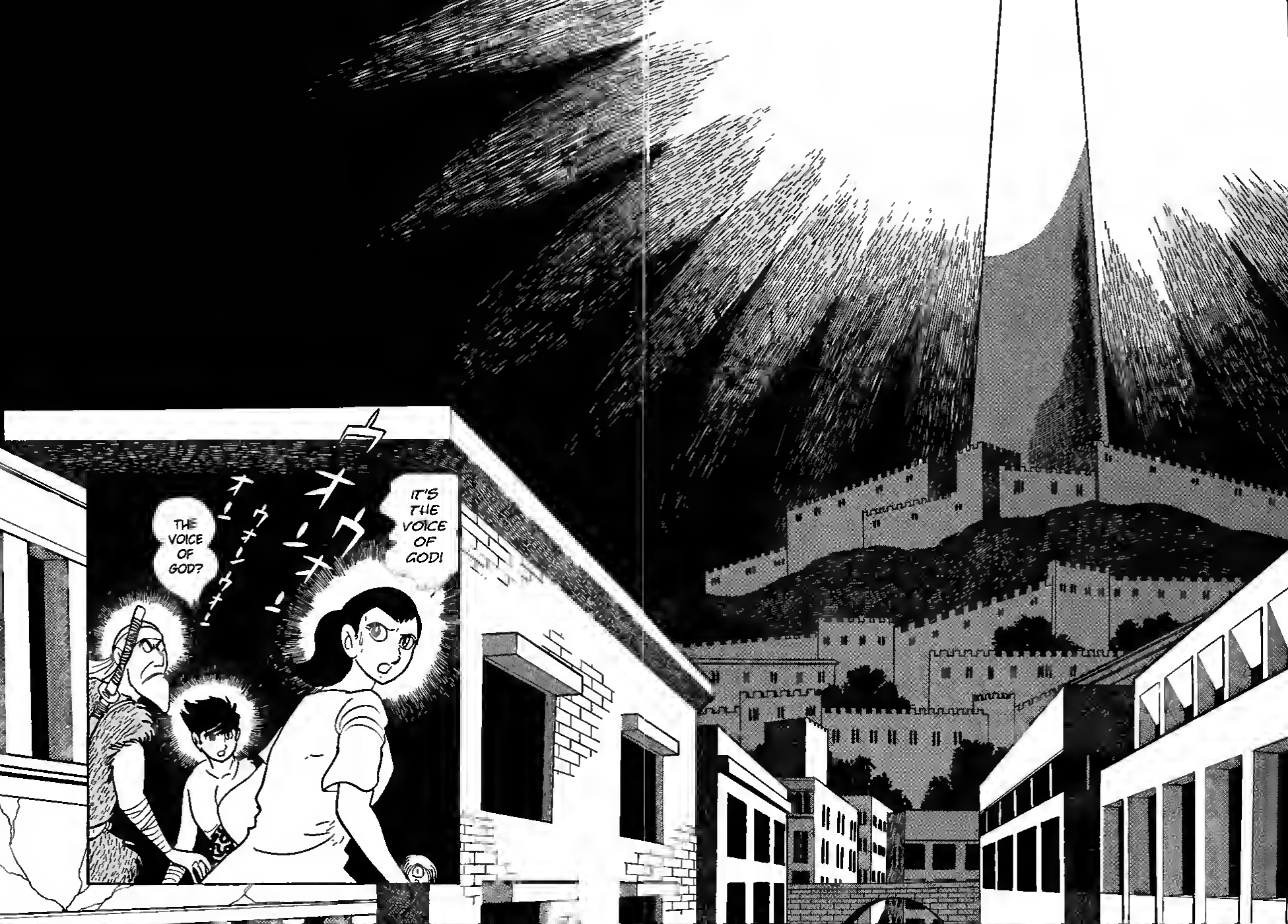

QUIET!
SOME-ONE'S COMING!
YOU ASS!
WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL ME SOONER!?
THAT'S HER!
WITHOUT THE BLACK ROBE!
AH!?
WHO!?

AH!?
C'MON CONDOR, YOU COMING?
WE HAVE A RADAR!
I ALSO KNOW THAT MY FRIENDS ARE BEING HELD AT THE "PALACE".
I KNOW. THANKS FOR COMING BACK.
IT'S ILLEGAL TO GO OUT AT NIGHT SO I HAD SOME DIFFICULTIES.
SORRY FOR BEING LATE.
...
TAKE IT OFF, IT'S USELESS NOW!
HUH? WHAT'S THE MATTER?
SO! YOU REALLY LIKE THE LADIES, HUH?
I DIDN'T THINK I'D SEE... SUCH A BEAUTY...

BE CARE-FUL.
IT'S A PROMISE, MY DEAR!
WELL, SEE YOU LATER.
WE'LL CONTACT YOU AGAIN.
AH!
CY-CLOPS ....
TELL ME IF SOMEONE IS COMING.
TAKEN BY SOL-DIERS...
THE LADY FROM BEFORE...
WHAT ?
TO THAT GIRL!?
SOME-THING'S HAPPEN-ING...
WHAT THE...
HOW CAN I WAIT !?
IT'S OUR TURN TO HELP!
HEY, WAIT!


HMM!?
AAAH!

WHAT!?
I BELIEVE MY COMRADES ARE IN DANGER!
THEY FOLLOWED ME!
ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
WERE FOLLOWING HER?
YOU DIDN'T KNOW THE SOLDIERS...
CYCLOPS!
WHAT!?
A SOLDIER WENT TO REPORT YOU!
HURRY!
ON ONE PERSON AT A TIME.
SORRY, BUT I CAN ONLY FOCUS ...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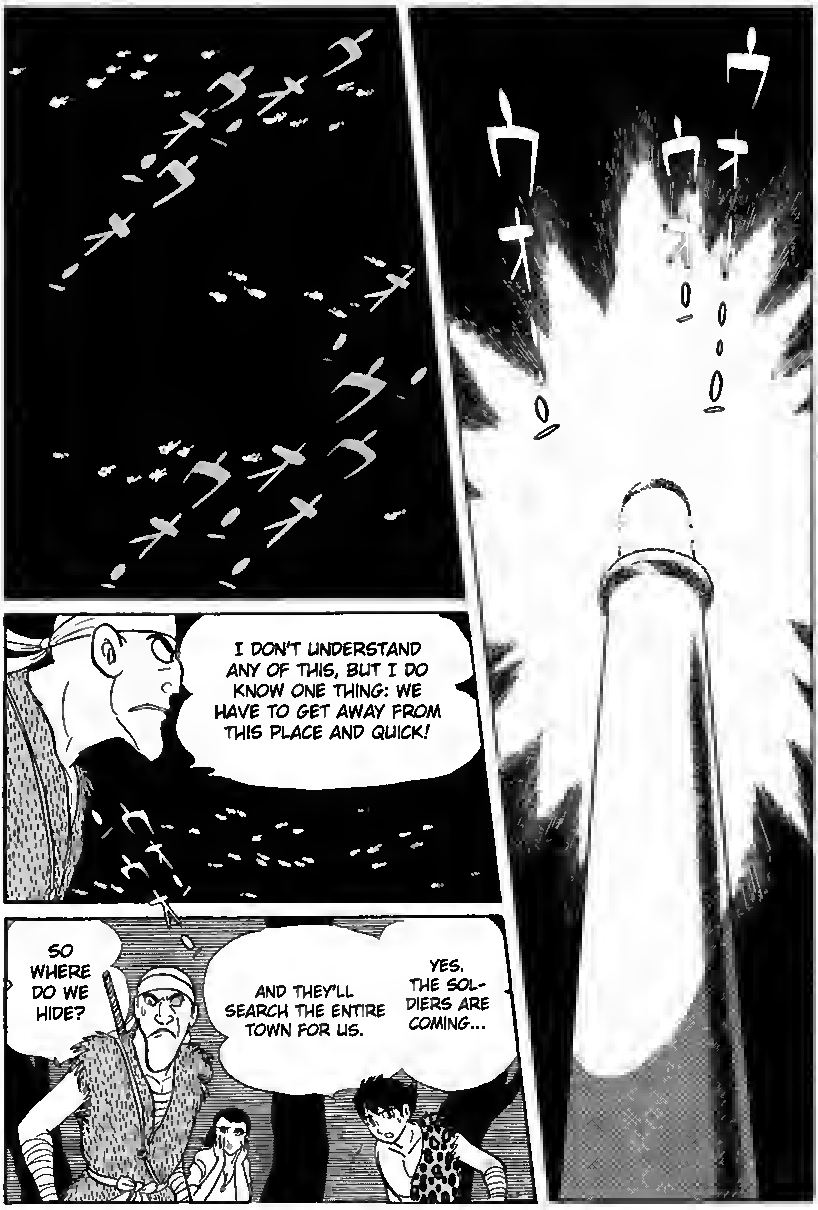
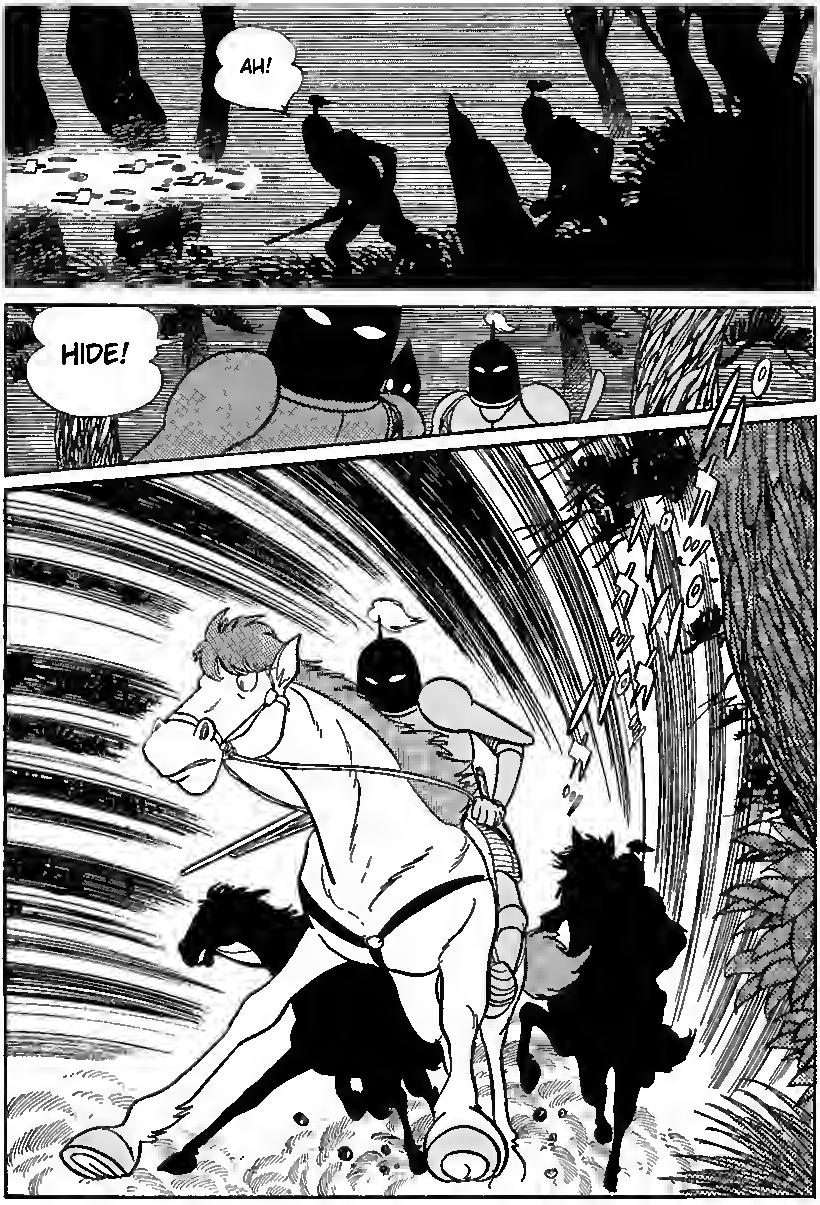
THE VOICE OF GOD?
IT'S THE VOICE OF GOD!

IT'S AN ORDINARY SOUND AMPLIFIED BY ELECTRICITY AND...
IT'S A VOICE OF NEITHER GOD OR MAN!
YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT THAT IS?
ELEC... WHA?
IT'S TO MOBILIZE THE SOL-DIERS.
YOU'RE JOKING! THEY'RE JUST SIRENS!
SIREN? WHAT'S THAT?
I SEE!
AH YES!
YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT ELEC-TRICITY IS!
THAT'S RIGHT...
SEE WHAT?
THANKS TO THIS ARCHAIC TECHNOLOGY, HE ACTS LIKE AN ALL-POWERFUL BEING! TAKING ADVANTAGE OF YOUR IGNORANCE, MOCKING YOU!
I KNOW HOW TO TAKE CARE OF THEIR GOD!

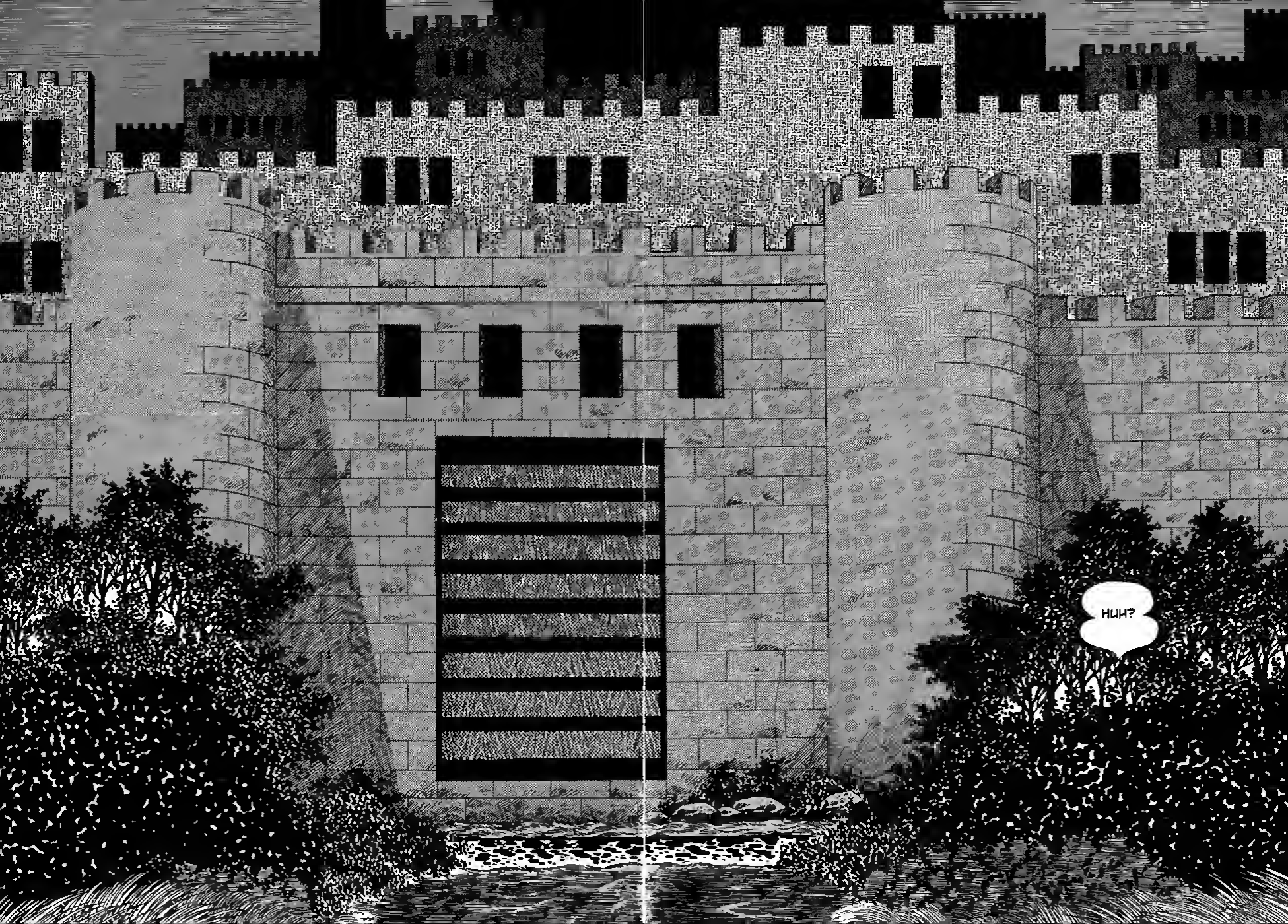

I DON'T UNDERSTAND ANY OF THIS, BUT I DO KNOW ONE THING: WE HAVE TO GET AWAY FROM THIS PLACE AND QUICK!
SO WHERE DO WE HIDE?
AND THEY'LL SEARCH THE ENTIRE TOWN FOR US.
YES. THE SOLDIERS ARE COMING...

WELL, AREN'T YOU A SMART ONE!
THERE'S NOWHERE WE CAN HIDE! THEY HAVE DOGS.
BUT THERE'S ONE WAY WE CAN GET BY THE SOLDIERS!
C'MON! HURRY!
WE'RE RE-USING THE PLAN THAT GOT US INTO THIS TOWN!
HEY, LEA, PUT THE ROBES BACK ON.
YES.
HUH?
HOW DID YOU KNOW MY NAME?
DIDN'T I TELL YOU THAT CYCLOPS CAN READ THE THOUGHTS OF OTHERS?
ANYWAYS, I'M RYU.
AND HE'S...

CONDOR, WE HAVE TO HIDE THE BODIES.
NICE TO MEETCHA !
CONDOR. IT'S A SORT OF VULTURE, YOU SEE?
THEY ARE COMING !
FUCK! THIS CHUMP IS HEAVY!
THEY'LL FIND THEM RIGHT AWAY, BUT STILL...
WHERE ARE WE GOING?
THE PALACE WHERE ELSE!
HURRY!
OKAY! READY ?


AH!
HIDE!

NATU-
RALLY!
THAT'S QUITE A RACKET THEY'RE MAKING!
WE'RE PROBABLY THE FIRST TO GET PAST THE WALLS!
AND SO THE HUNT CONTINUES...
HUH?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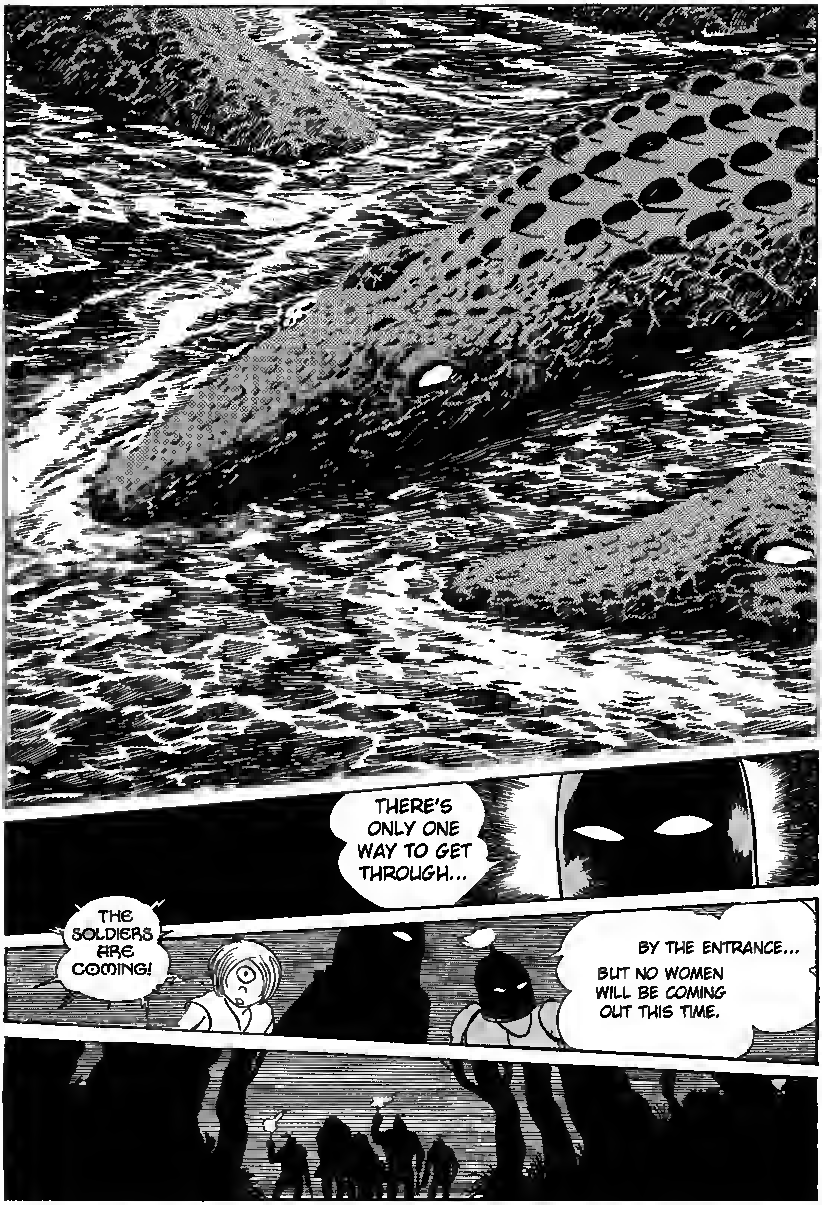
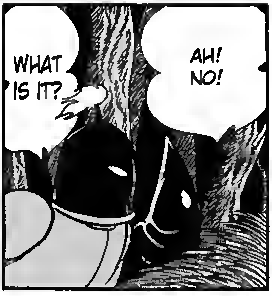
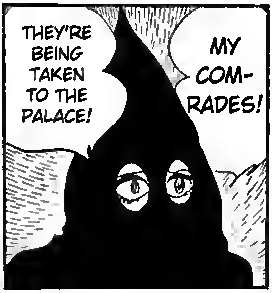
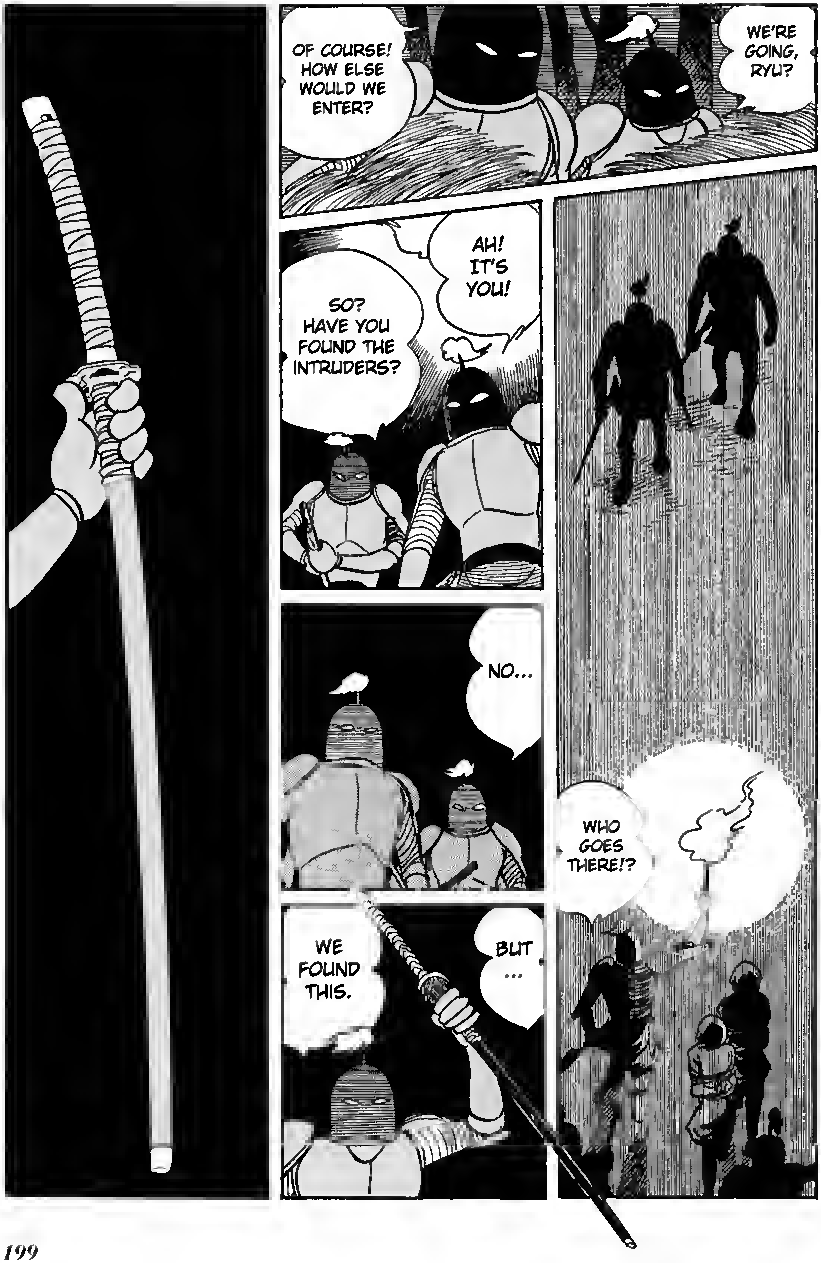
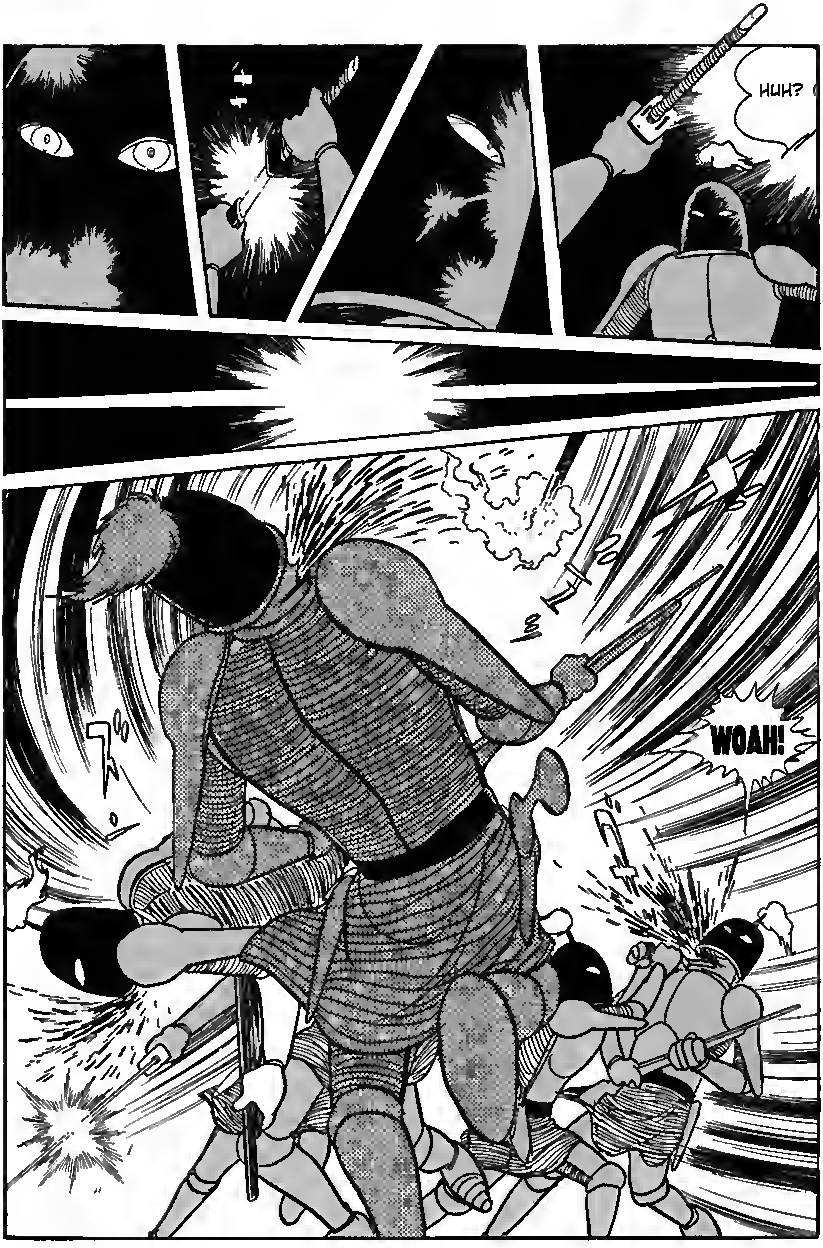
THE PALACE ...
MORE WALLS!
AND A MOAT AS WELL!
AH!
MY GOD!
CROCO-DILES!


THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO GET THROUGH...
THE SOLDIERS ARE COMING!
BY THE ENTRANCE...
BUT NO WOMEN WILL BE COMING OUT THIS TIME.

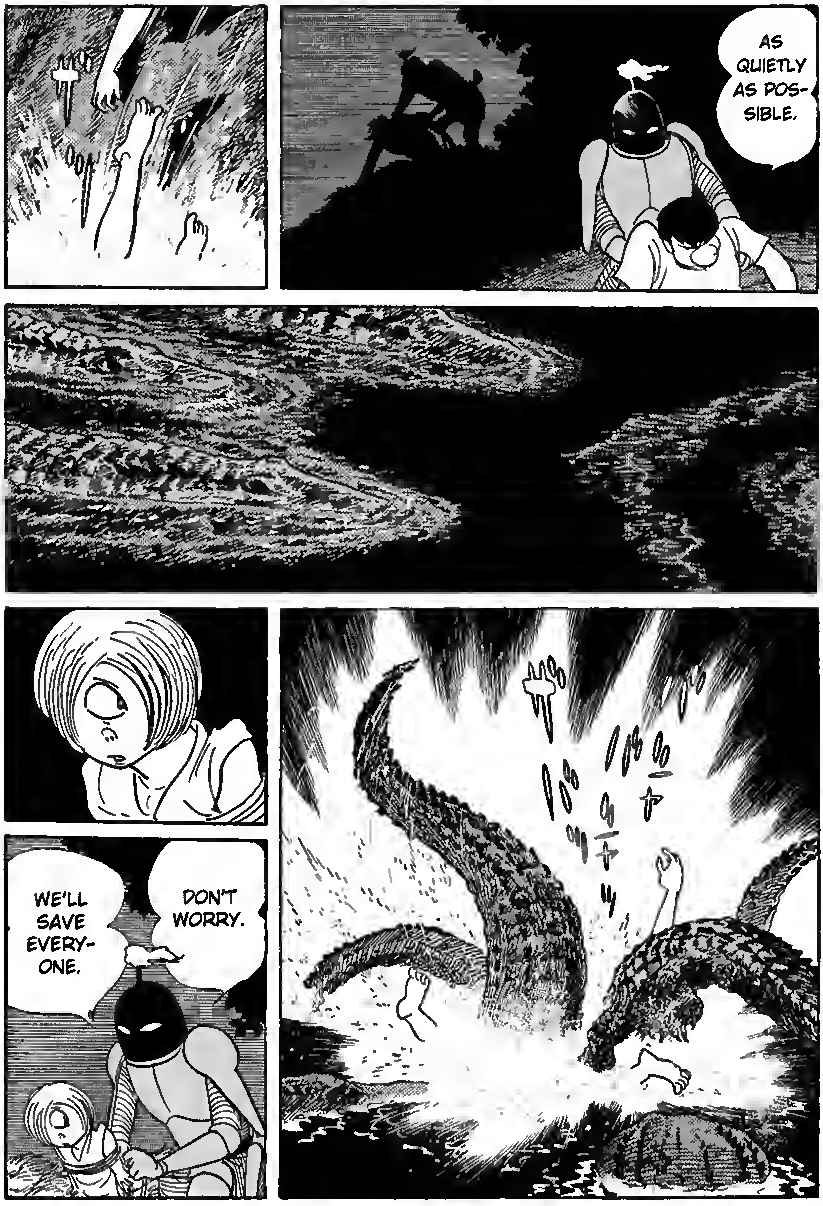

WHAT IS IT?
AH! NO!

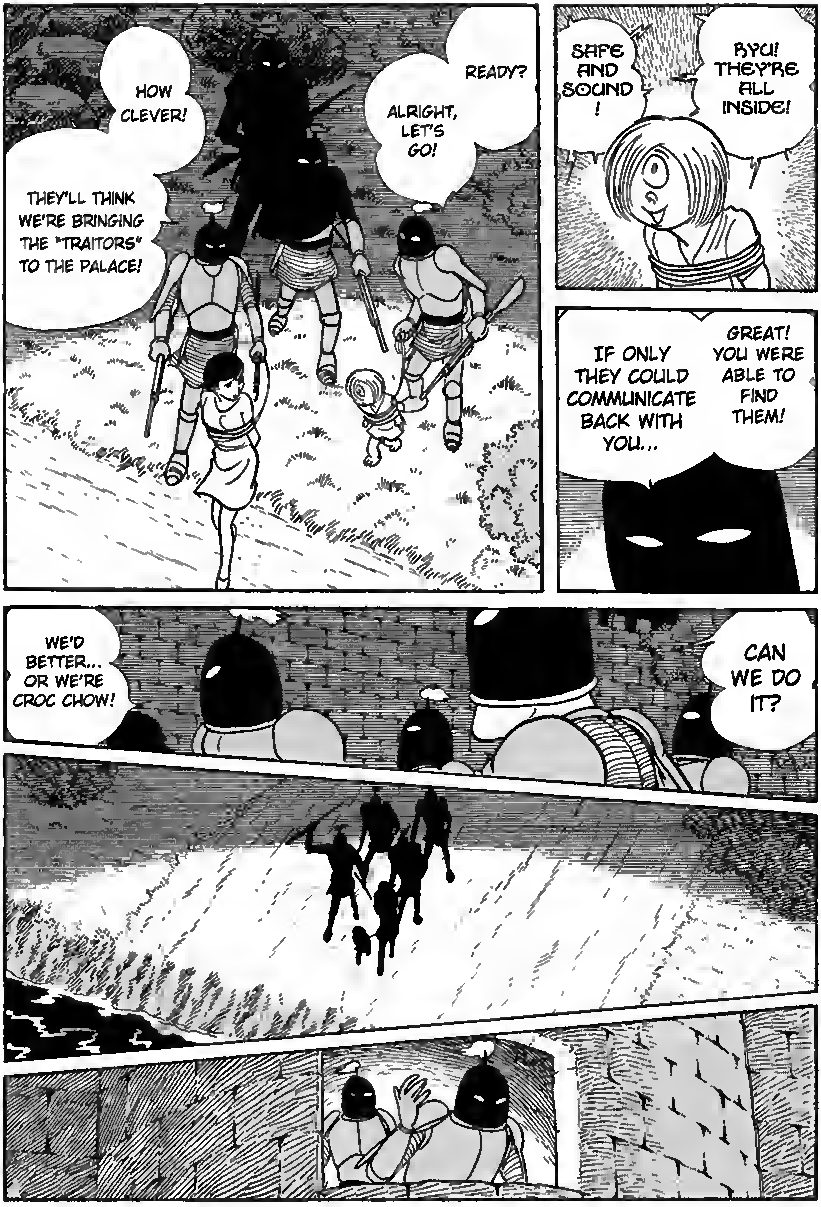

THEY'RE BEING TAKEN TO THE PALACE!
MY COM-RADES!

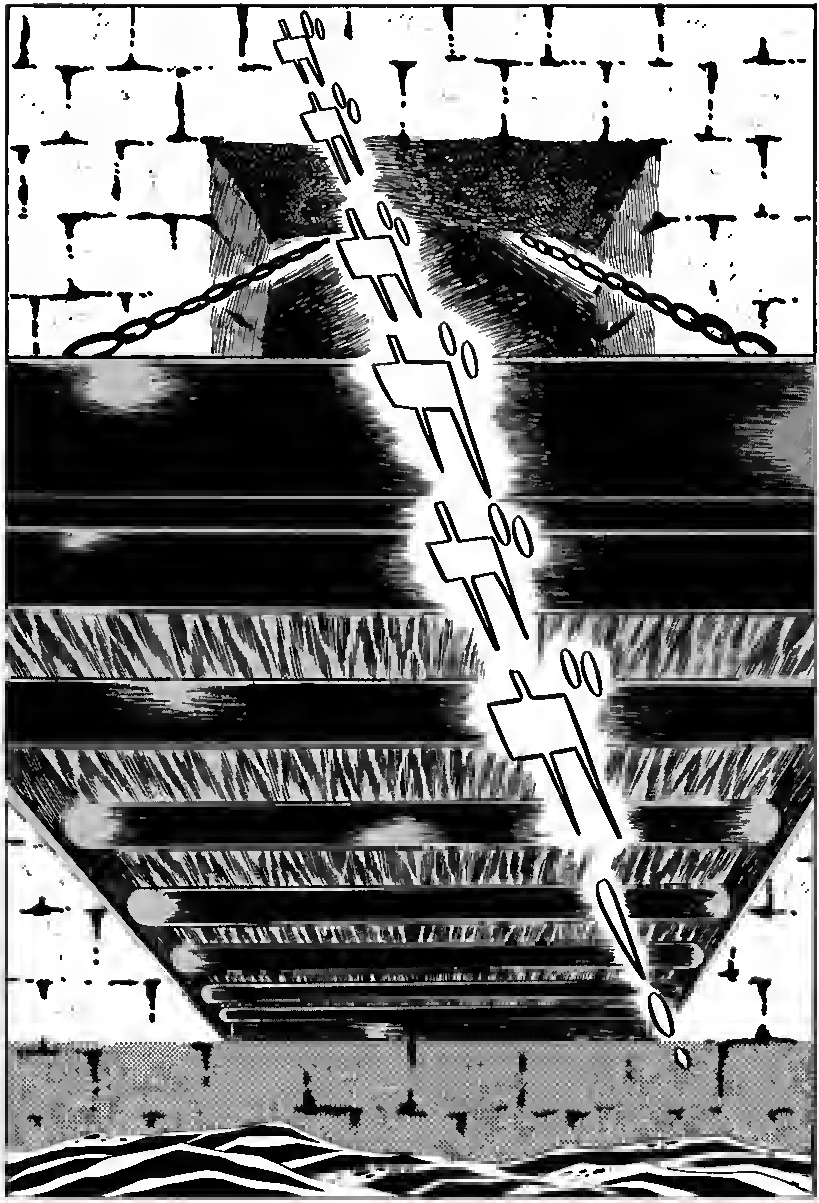

WE'RE GOING, RYU?
OF COURSE! HOW ELSE WOULD WE ENTER?
AH! IT'S YOU!
SO? HAVE YOU FOUND THE INTRUDERS?
NO...
WHO GOES THERE!?
BUT ...
WE FOUND THIS.

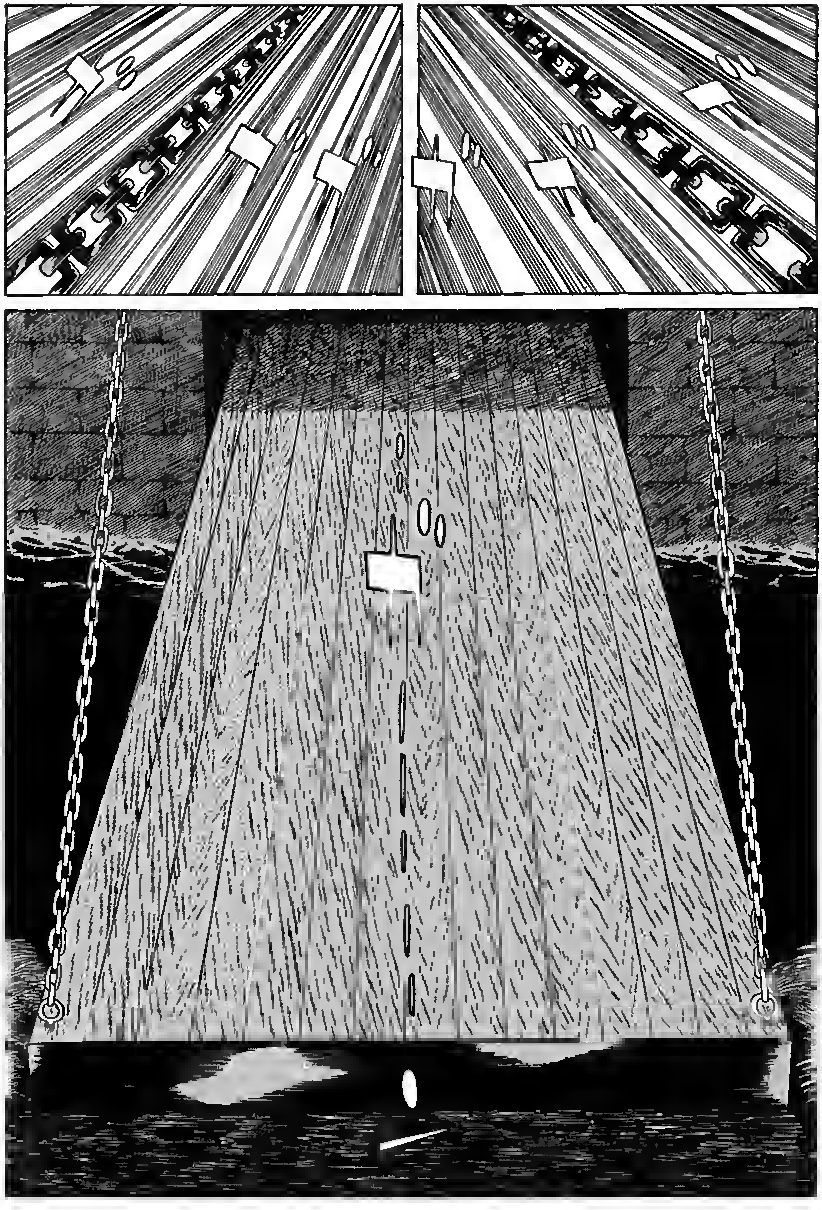

HUH?
WOAH!

LEA?
BOTH OF YOU ALL RIGHT ?
SHH !
DON'T MAKE ANY NOISE!
WHAT ?
YES, WE'LL LEAVE THEM LIKE THAT.
WAIT, DON'T UNTIE THEM.
CONDOR, FEED THESE GUYS TO THE CROCODILES.
HUH !?
HERE, LEA, WEAR THIS.
HURRY!


AS QUIETLY AS POSSIBLE.
DON'T WORRY.
WE'LL SAVE EVERYONE.


READY?
ALRIGHT, LET'S GO!
HOW CLEVER!
THEY'LL THINK WE'RE BRINGING THE "TRAITORS" TO THE PALACE!
AYO! THEY'RE ALL INSIDE!
SAFE AND SOUND!
GREAT! YOU WERE ABLE TO FIND THEM!
IF ONLY THEY COULD COMMUNICATE BACK WITH YOU...
CAN WE DO IT?
WE'D BETTER... OR WE'RE CROC CHOW!





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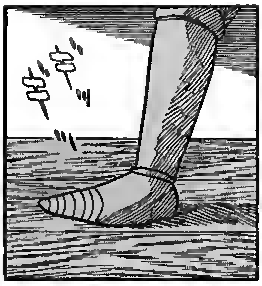
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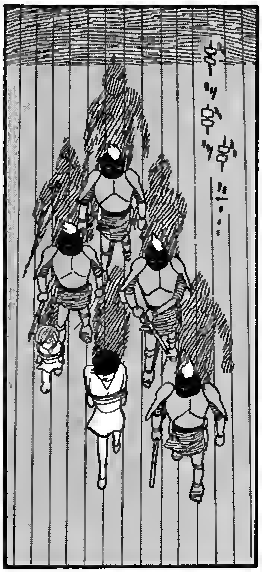
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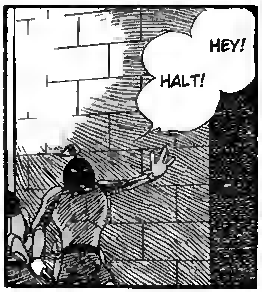
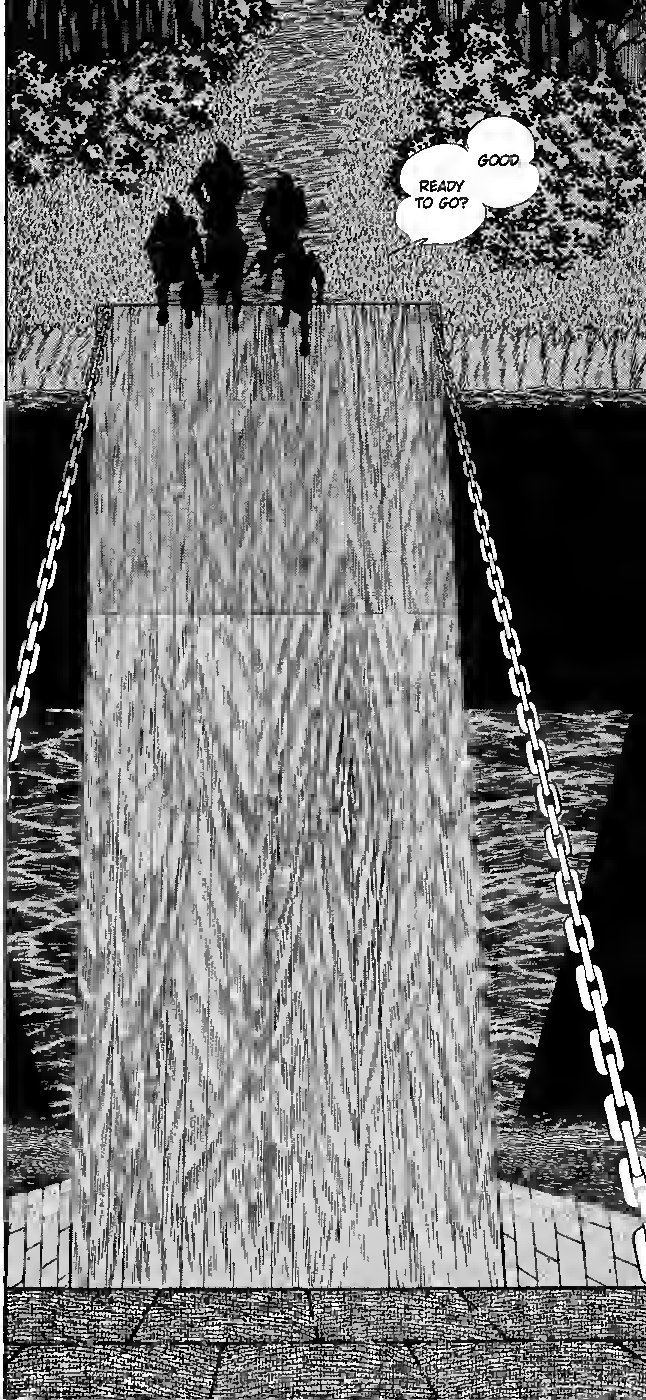

HEY!
HALT!


GOOD
READY TO GO?

HAND OVER THE TRAITORS!
COME AGAIN?
AH...
WAIT!
WE'LL DELIVER THEM DIRECTLY TO HIS HOLINESS.
WHAT!?
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING!?
ABSOLUTELY NOT!
BUT IT'S THE RULE!
HUH?
YOU KNOW DAMN WELL ONLY THE APOSTLES HAVE THE HONOR OF SEEING HIS HOLINESS!
HAVE YOU LOST YOUR MIND!?
BUT THEY'RE FIRST CLASS CRIMINALS, SO...
OF-OF COURSE...
AH...

THAT'S WHY WE WERE HOPING TO BRING THEM DIRECTLY TO HIM.
THEY WERE PLOTTING TO OVERTHROW HIS HOLINESS!
THEY'RE CAPABLE OF HIGH TREASON!
YOU SEE?
WELL ...
HMM ...
WHAT ?
THE EXTERIOR GUARDS INSIST ON BRINGING THE CRIMINALS DIRECTLY TO HIS HOLINESS...
WELL, SIR...
HEY! WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
YES...
RATHER THAN HIS HOLINESS, BUT...
WE TOLD THEM THEIR EXCELLENCIES, THE APOSTLES, WOULD TAKE THEM...
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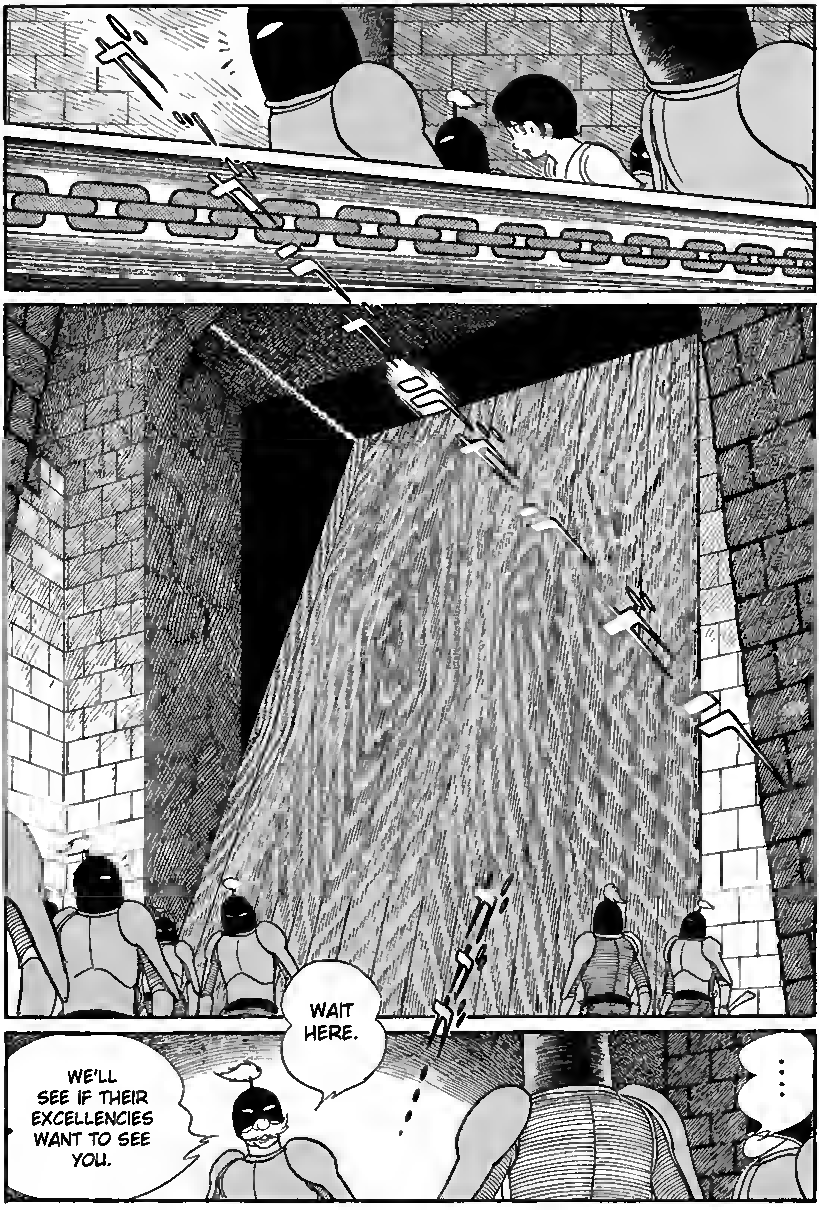
GOOD.
WHATEVER. LET THEM IN!


WAIT HERE.
WE'LL SEE IF THEIR EXCELLENCIES WANT TO SEE YOU.
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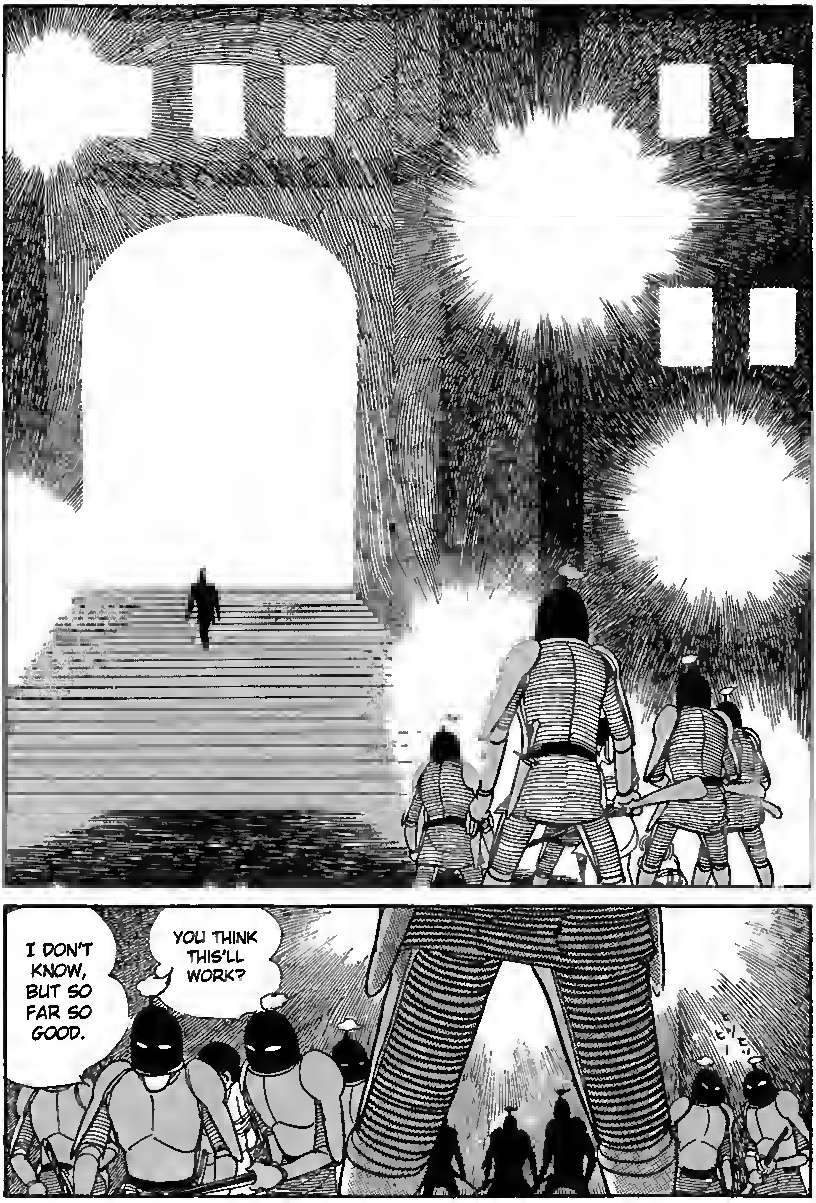
I DON'T KNOW, BUT SO FAR SO GOOD.
YOU THINK THIS'LL WORK?
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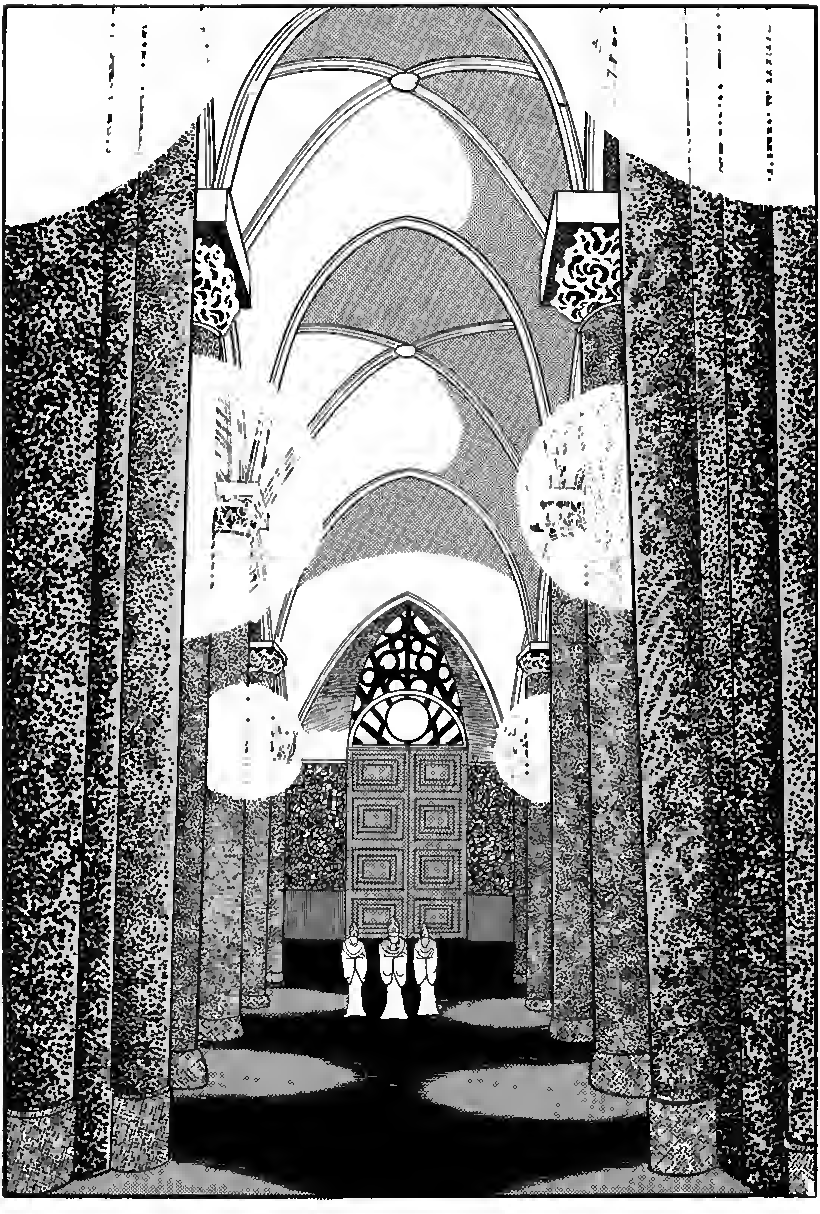
YOU MAY ENTER!
YOU!
IT'S AN UNUSUAL CASE, BUT THEIR EXCELLENCIES WILL SEE YOU NOW.



YOUR EXCELLENCIES. HERE ARE THE SOLDIERS WHO HAVE BROUGHT US THE CRIMINALS.
HMM ...
YOU TALK OF HIGH TREASON, BUT AT WHAT LEVEL?
TALK! WHAT IS THE CRIME?
UUH... THAT IS TO SAY...
IT'S NOT THAT SIMPLE.

SHE DECLARED THAT THE CITIZENS ARE UNHAPPY WITH HIS HOLINESS' GOVERNMENT, AND TALK OF PLANS FOR REBELLION...
WE STOPPED HER AND SHE ADMITTED TO SOMETHING TRULY FRIGHTENING.
REALLY, THIS GIRL...
ORGANIZED NIGHTLY MEETINGS WITH OTHER RULE BREAKERS.
IMPOS-SIBLE !?
THAT'S UNTHINKABLE! SHE MUST BE OUT OF HER MIND!
WHAT!?
UH... THAT IS, GOD'S LIGHT TO BE EQUALLY DISTRI-BUTED AMONGST EVERYONE...
THEY WANT THE ELECTRI-CITY...
IT'S ALL TRUE!
HUH?
I WENT TOO FAR!
DAMN !
IS AN ELECTRIC LIGHT!
WHO ARE YOU?
ONLY THE APOSTLES KNOW THAT GOD'S LIGHT...

AAH !?
I'M A TRAITOR TOO!
DON'T MOVE!
WELL ... ACTU-ALLY...
HA HA! YOU TOO, COMMANDER!
BUT YOU...
MAKE A SOUND AND YOU'RE DEAD!
A FRIEND OF THOSE YOU'VE CAPTURED.
NOW, LEAD US TO THEM.
YOU ARE...

WE HAVE TO SEEK PERMISSION FROM HIS HOLINESS OR GOD HIMSELF.
WAIT! WE CAN'T GO ON OUR OWN.
WHERE ARE THEY!?
QUIT STALLING!
YOU'LL REGRET THIS.
WHERE IS HE?
POPE OR GOD, IT DOESN'T MATTER! JUST BRING US TO HIM!
I DON'T CARE!
THAT'S TOO MUCH WORK!
YEAH RIGHT! I'M NOT AFRAID OF YOUR GOD!
HUH?
YOU HAD BETTER SURRENDER.
IF YOU DON'T, YOU'LL BE SEVERELY PUNISHED!
C'MON, MOVE IT!
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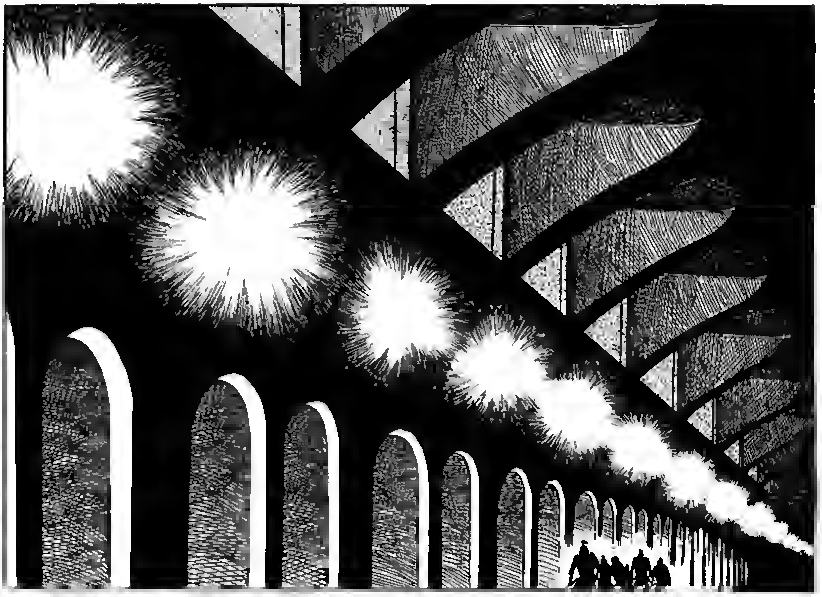
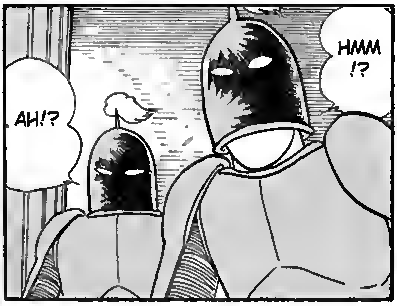


HERE WE ARE...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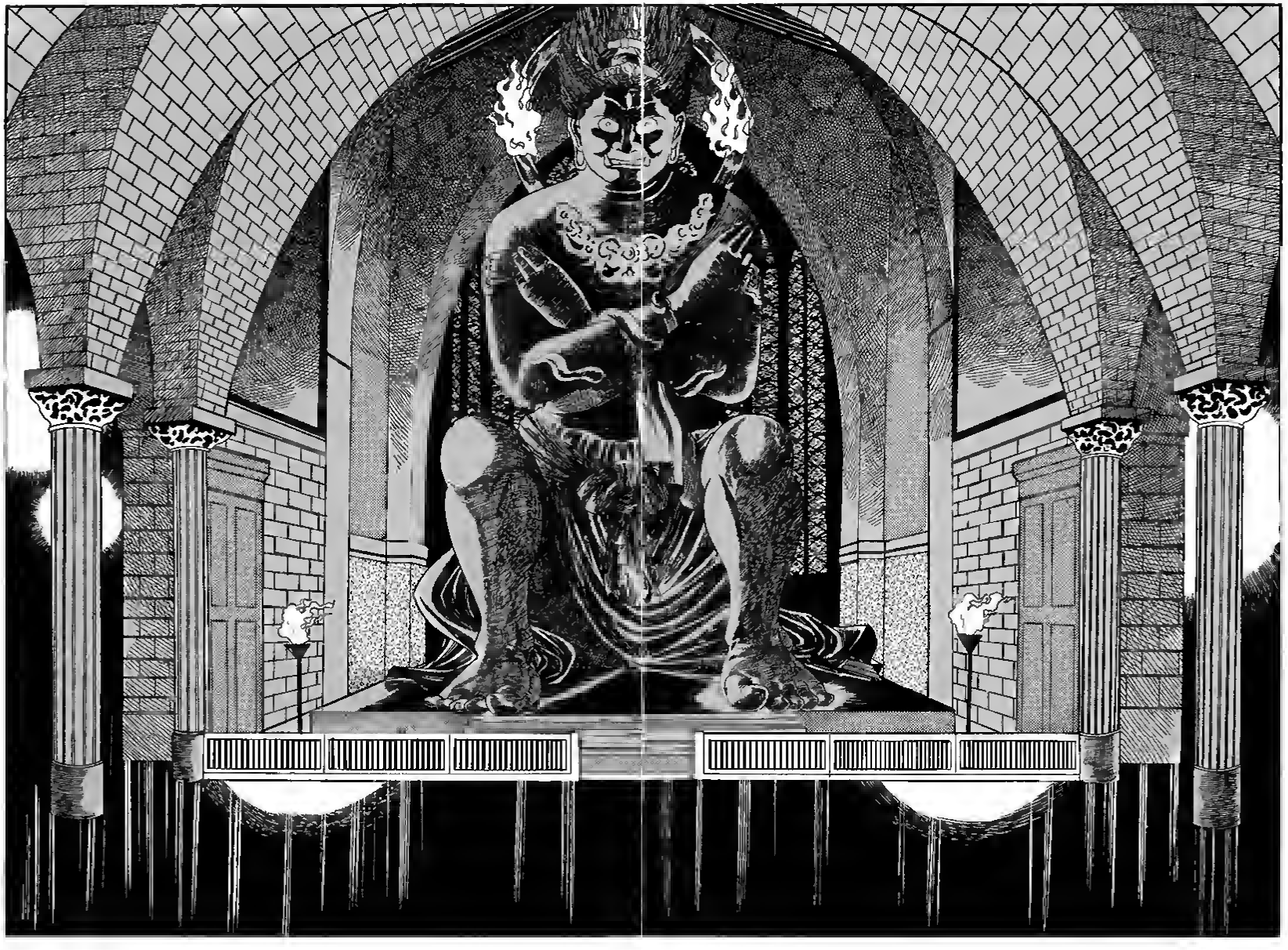
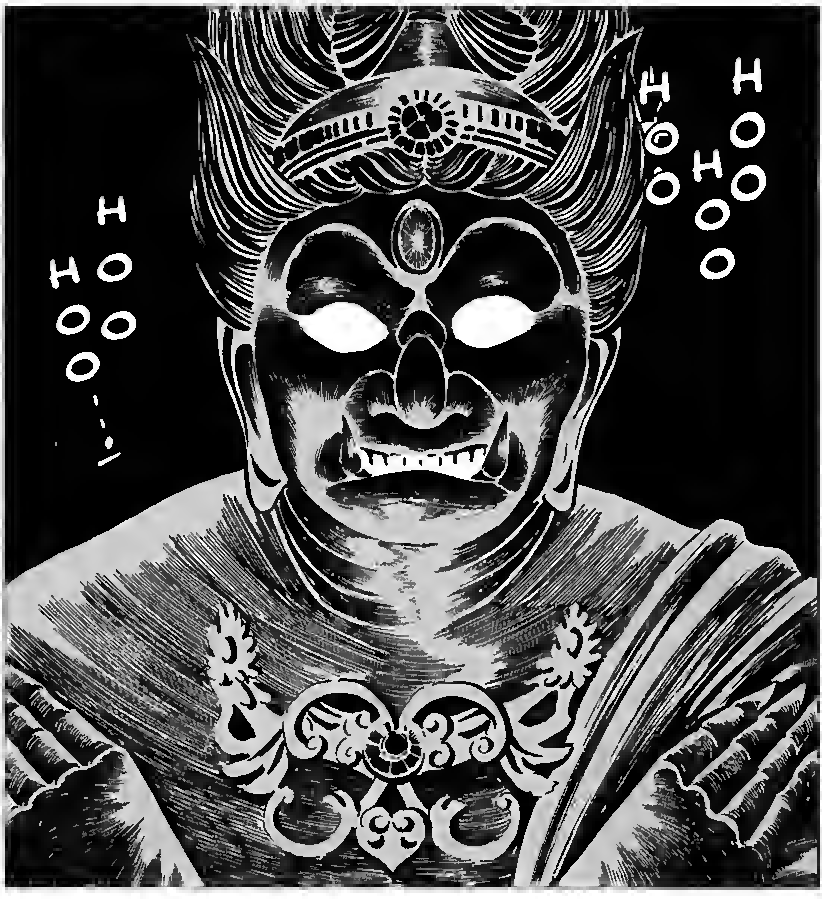
HMM !?

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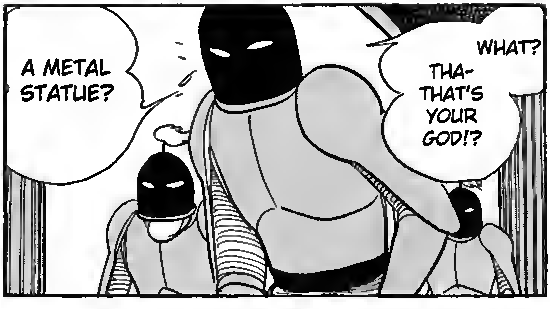
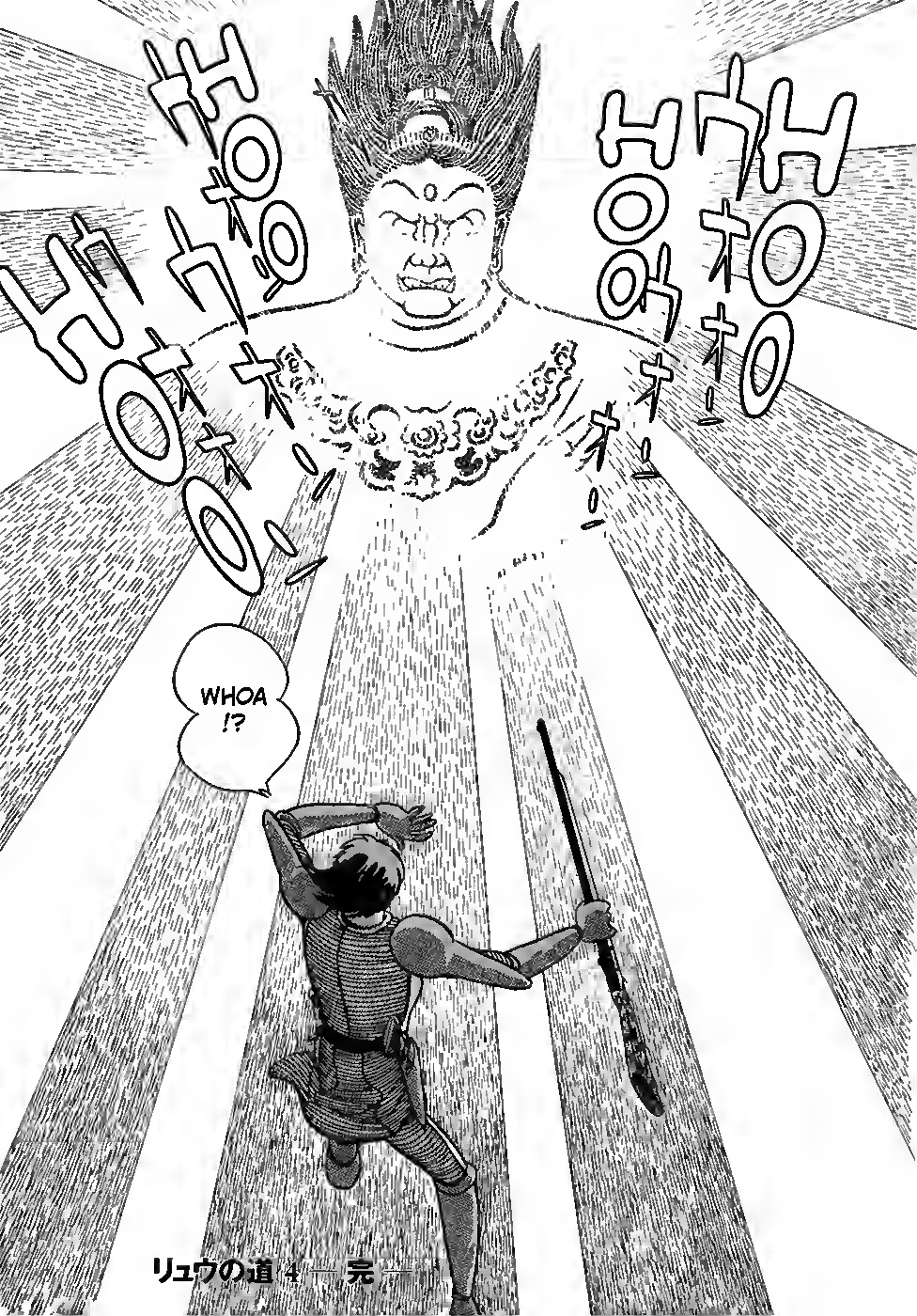

A METAL STATUE?
WHAT?
THA-THAT'S YOUR GOD!?

HAH...
HAH HAAA!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